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# The American Embassy Rome. Italy

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From: Legat. Rome (100-808) (RUC)

Subject: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

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Re Rome letter dated 3-6-62.

Referenced Rome letter sets forth information concerning a letter forwarded to the American Embassy in Rome by the Unione Donne Italiane, a communist organization petitioning for the release of MORTON SCBELL. Since the date of referenced letter, two additional communications have been received at the Embassy from the Unione Dorne Italiane, one addressed to Mrs. JACQUELINE KENNED, dated March 10, 1962, and another addressed to Amlassador G. FREDERICK REINHARDT, dated March 10, 1962, both in the same vein and both petitioning for the release of MORTON SOBELL.

The letters are indications of a propaganda campaign put into motion as a result of the visit to Italy by HELEN SCHELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL. Any significant developments in this connection which come to the attention of the Rome office will be reported. No further action is being taken.

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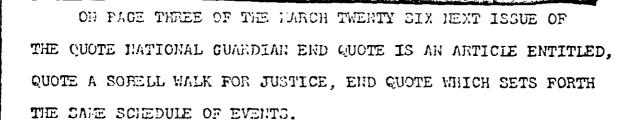
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The following item appeared in the "Morning Freiheit" of February 19, 1952, on page 8, columns 7-8:

Kinister Punished For Saying Prayer For Korton Sobell's Liberation

Bonne, North Carolina. - Minister David Andrews, who; last December, kneeled on the steps of the White House in an appeal to the President for clemency for Morton Sobell, was "freed of his responsibilities" as director of the Wesleyan Foundation in the "Appalachian State Teachers College". last week.

The directors of the "Poundation" voted twelve to one to fire the Minister from his position for praying that the President should pardon Morton Sobell, who was sentenced to 30 years in jail on the basis of false accusations.

The above was translated from the Yiddish and is being submitted for your information.

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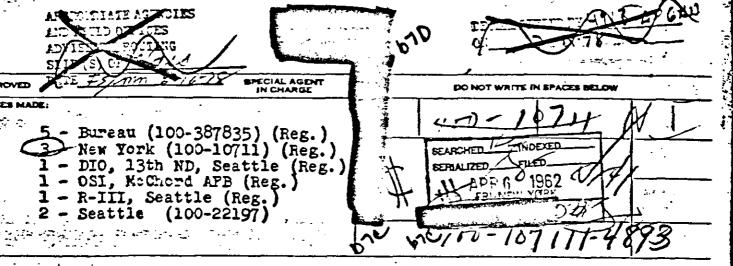
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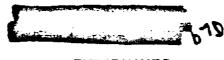
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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE

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See Appendix for characterization of subject organization.

#### 1. OFFICERS

The Seattle Sobell Committee, as of March 22, 1962, is without a Chairman. CAROLDE CANAFAX is still Secretary but during resent heevings, no one appears to be interested in assuring responsibility for the local conmittee. taking of minutes at these meetings has been discontinued, and generally speaking, the meetings have turned into social, getherings.

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CAROLINE CANAFAX is a member of the White Center | Communist Party Club, Seattle, during March, 1952, according to SE 7-2 in March, 1962.

### II. LOCATION

On October 31, 1961, the Seattle "Post Intelligencer", a Seattle daily newspaper, forwarded a letter dated October 27, 1961, to the Seattle FBI Office. This letter was received by the newspaper from the Seattle Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and bore the address 317 Second and Cherry Building.

The current Seattle City Directory shows the occupant for 317 Second and Cherry Building as SARAH M. LESSER.

SARAH LESSER represented several of the Pacific Northwest Communist Party leaders, who were tried for violation of the Smith Act in Seattle during 1953.

This source advised that the Seattle Sobell Committee has used the address of 317 Second and Cherry Building for mailing purposes only inasmuch as SARAE LESSER is sympathetic; with the aims of this organization. According to the source, the Seattle Committee has no formal address.

Source: SE T-1 on 3/22/62...

# III. FUNDS

The account of the Seattle Sobell Committee maintained with the Seattle Trust and Savings Bank in Seattle as of March 22, 1952, had a balance of \$25.64. Deposits were, made on February 1, 1952, of \$10.00, February 19, 1952, of \$5.00 and March 19, 1952, of \$5.00.

Source: SE T-3 on 3/22/62.

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### IV. ACTIVITIES

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the "Post Intelligencer" forwarded to the Seattle FBI the following letter:

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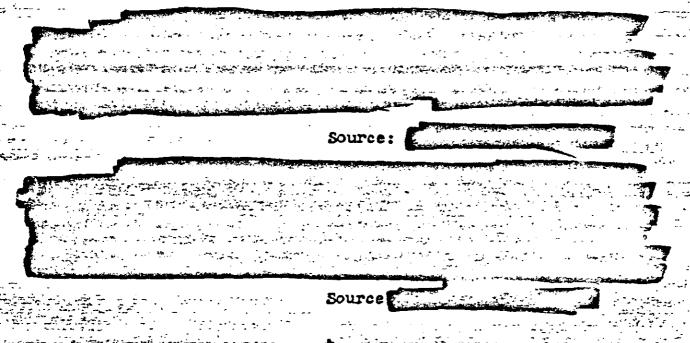
\*Dear Sir:

We strongly object to the vicious attack by JACK LOTTO on the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and all the others who are concerned with the Sobell case printed in your paper October 16th. Thousands of people, many of them notable ministers, scientists and lawyers, after investigation have publically expressed their belief that the conviction of MORTON SOBELL was a miscarriage of justice.

"Many fair-minded persons have searched the transcript of the trial in vain to find just what defendant SOBELL was accused of doing and what the jury found him guilty of.

"Let's hope as long as there remains a possibility that an innocent man is in prison there is still room for people of conscience who are concerned that justice be done. We and many others are convinced that since SOBELL has already served ll years of a 30 year sentence that his sentence should be immediately commuted and he be returned to his family. We urge letters to President KENNEDY urging commutation.

"Seattle Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL"



### APPENDIX

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Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL, the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg case'..."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated January 2, 1957, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 60.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The 1960-1961 Borough of Manhattan telephone directory lists the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

A source advised that the Seattle Sobell Committee was formed during April, 1959, by an organizer of the Sobell Committee from Los Angeles. JODY HEATLIE, a member of the Socialist Workers Party in Seattle, was named Chairman, and CAROLINE CANAFAX was named Secretary.

The Socialist Workers Party and the Communist Party have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A second source advised that CAROLINE CANAPAX was a member of the Communist Party in April, 1961, in Seattle.

A third source advised that the Seattle Sobell Committee met at Seattle on January 10, 1961.

This same source advised that this Committee's purpose since its inception has been to raise funds and obtain public support for the release of MORTON SOBELL from prison.



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### SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY - SEATTLE BRANCH

In May, 1941, a source advised that during the month of May, 1941 the Seattle Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) was reorganized and received official recognition as a branch of the Party from the national office of the SWP in New York, New York.

On April 20, 1961, another source advised that the Seattle Branch, SWP, with headquarters at 1412 - 18th Avenue, Seattle, Washington, is a present active affiliate of the National SWP, following the aims and principles of the National SWP. According to the source, membership in the Seattle branch includes RICHARD FRASER, who is a member of the SWP National Committee, and his wife, CLARA FRASER, who is an alternate member of the SWP National Committee.





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Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SCHELL and airtel from Bureau 3/26/62, captioned CPUSA, Counterintelligence Program.

the scene of the picket line, Independence hall area, 170

12/28/62 identified JEAN FRANTJIS as a fember of the Southwest Club, CPEPD, and AARON LIBSON as a member of the Youth Club, CPEPD as 67/01 2/62.

of 5/59 was an inactive member of the South
Philadelphia Section, CPEPD.

depicting the true facts in regard to Tomon Somme's trial and conviction for conspiracy to commit espionage.

This included an account carried in the New York — Times of 3/9/51, page one, continued on page 12, which dealt with testimony concerning the charges against the ROSKNERGS and NORTON SOBELL.

Pertinent data from the HCUA report dated 8/25/56, "Triel by Treason," pages 78 through 82, was also furnished Page 79 contains a photograph of HKLEN SOBKIL, JEAN FRANTIES, and two other individuals.

The material includes testimony by HERMAN B. THOMAS who testified as a government witness in the Philadelphia Smith Act trials concerning FRANTJIS and Cominfil of the local committee.

In addition facts were furnished from the publication concerning the fact that SOBELL's trial was given

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one of the most careful and thorough reviews in American history; that SCHELL's defense counsel thanked Judge KAUFMAN for fair treatment, etc.

BORFIL, Easked her if she or her husband were, or are now Communists. She replied "We are not."

He also asked her if there are any Communists working in her group today. She replied that she had no way of knowing, but "I think not." She characterized her supporters as people "who represent the finest traditions in America."

stressed in both government and nongovernment publications that her husband received an extremely fair trial, and that the defense attorneys for him had commended Judge KAUFMAN at the end of the trial for his fairness. She denied this.

He also questioned her as to whether "your case may be used by the Communists for propaganda purposes." She claimed no knowledge of whether it was or wasn't but claimed her support came from various private interested citizens.

Following the interview with HELEN SORELL interviewed JEAN FRANTIJIS, FREDA BURKE, and AARON LIBSON, in that order.

FRANTIIS said she is active on the Philadelphia Sobell Committee.

He asked her "Are you yourself a Communist." She replied "No. I am not." She denied knowledge of any CP members being associated with the local committee. He asked her also if she had ever been a Communist. She replied "No."

on the Philadelphia Sobell Committee.

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ing whether she is or has been a Communist. She became very indignant and refused to answer. He then told her that if she would not answer definitely one way or the other, it implies that she is a Communist, and that the Philadelphia Sobell Committee is supported by Communists.

She said that this was not a relevant question. He pointed out that it was obviously a relevant question, and that her evasive answers made it plain that the picket was Communist backed.

had been briefed before they arrived.

CP connections. did not ask LIBSON any questions concerning

His last interview was withan bystander, (phonetic) which is set forth below.

A refers to announcer; B refers to bystander.

- A: What to you think about all of this?
- B: My namet
- A: Yes, your name please,
- B: Ephonetic), retired truck driver. 1076
- A: What do you think about this demonstration

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- I think it's a farce, and I think SORKIL should have gotten the same as JULIUS and ETHEL got. He was a traitor to his country.
- A: Do you think this thing is Communist backed? and
- B: I certainly do think it's 100 per cent Communist backed. I certainly do.
- A: Thank you very much.

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Approximately 30 persons participated in the picket line.

Several bystanders whose comments were overheard, characterized the pickets as "a bunch of muts."

It is felt that direct questions regarding Communist
Party affiliations had a strong impact. BUPKE
apparently was extremely upset by these questions. This very
well may have the effect of curtailing future picket activities
by her and others connected with the Philadelphia Sobell
Committee and other CP fronts in this area.

Pertinent data concerning the above will be included in the next report concerning the Philadelphia Sobell Committee.

Only a limited portion of the tape was used by Radio Station WIP on its news broadcast Saturday afternoon, 3/31/62. That portion used was definitely to the disadvantage of the National Committee to Secure Justice For Morton Sobell and the Philadelphia Sobell Committee.

The interviews mentioned above were taped by the tape was lent on a temporary basis to this office by and the above information was contained on the tape.

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New York, New York

April 6, 1962

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No: American National Port Racial Petters

Corabba Las Joan roller, National Chairman of the Authorn Lettonal Factly, Fost Office Lox 191, Gracia Station, Ray York 28, Ray York, tolephonically contested him on April 4, 1962, and stated that esptioned organization planned the following activity:

Ca April 7, 1962, from 11:30 ea to 12:00 moon. prompers of captioned party will picket at the Hotel Bolmont, Flame, Aith Street and Lexington Avenue, New York City, in protest of the Coxxittee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, which will hold a breakfast meeting there on the above date.

On April 13, 1952, three members of captioned party will picket from 7:30 pm to 6:00 pm at the Estel Ker Yorker, Eighth Avanue and 34th Stroet, Bow York City, in protest of the ... Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC) rolly to abolish the Referran Act which will be held there on the above date.

On April 17, 1952, captioned party will hold a street meeting starting at 7:30 pm in the vicinity of the listel Diplomet, 105 West 43rd Street, New York City, in protest of wara poeting epongored by the National Guardian on the above date at the Botel Diplomat, at which meeting, Tagmor Wilson of the Vocan's Strike for feese is scheduled to be guest speaker. --Intler and Relph Grandingttl, New York State Grainwan and Metional Organizar of captioned party, Will address the street of the Property meeting.

Characterisations of the Committee to Segure Justice for Norton Scholl, the Estional Quardian and the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee are attached horoto.

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RE: American National Party

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENEERG in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBFLL,' the ROSENPERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case'..."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated January 2, 1957, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 60.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The 1950-1951 Borough of Manhattan telephone directory lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

# EMERGENCY CIVIL LIPERTIES COMMITTEE

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee:

"Emergency Civil Liberties Committee

"1. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the \* \* \* Emergency Civil Liberties Committee. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these fronts offer a bulwark of protection.'

(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1955, p. Sl.)'

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#### HATTONAL GUARDIAN

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the "National Guardian":

#### "National Guardian

"1. 'Established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a "progressive" weekly. \* \* \* Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia.'

(Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 'Trial by Treason: The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell,' August 25, 1950, p. 12)"

#### PLAIN TEXT

TO \* DIRECTOR, PEI (157-537)

FROM SAC, NEW YORK (157-555)

AMERICAN NATIONAL PARTY -FACIAL MATTERS (00:EY)

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum.

Information in enclosed memorendum ettributed to make was furnished to SA

An information copy is designated for Richmond, inasmuch as officers of captioned group are all former members of the American Nazi Party. Harrist Strategic

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abnormal sexual things and uncovering himself to little fills in public. It turns out that this pan is the same one as on the Sobelf committee. So everybody knows about it and is talking about it. That he's the one that goes to Washington. That he is the same body man.

What kind of a committee would have this kind of a man going around collecting money for it. I think it's a shame and a disgrace for bonest people to permit such a man to be in a committee and talk to decent people.

/s/ B. Green from Brooklyn

It is suggested that typewritten copies of this letter be sent to the following persons who would be known to anyone who has had contact with CSJKS. All of the following have been active with the CSJKS and their names appear on CSJKS letterheads. The letters would be sent to these persons c/p CSJKS in different type envelopes.





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FROM : SAC, Director, (100-337835)

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FOR MORTON SOBELL

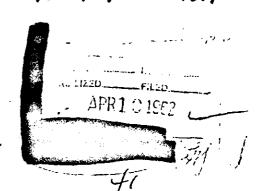
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The instructions in relet deal exclusively with the planning and preparation of counterintelligence measures to counteract propaganda of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS). These instructions do not relieve the New York Office of the responsibility of promptly advising the Bureau under the CSJMS caption of all activities of the Committee which should be brought to the attention of appropriate agencies and officials of the Government and of providing letterhead memoranda containing such information under this caption.

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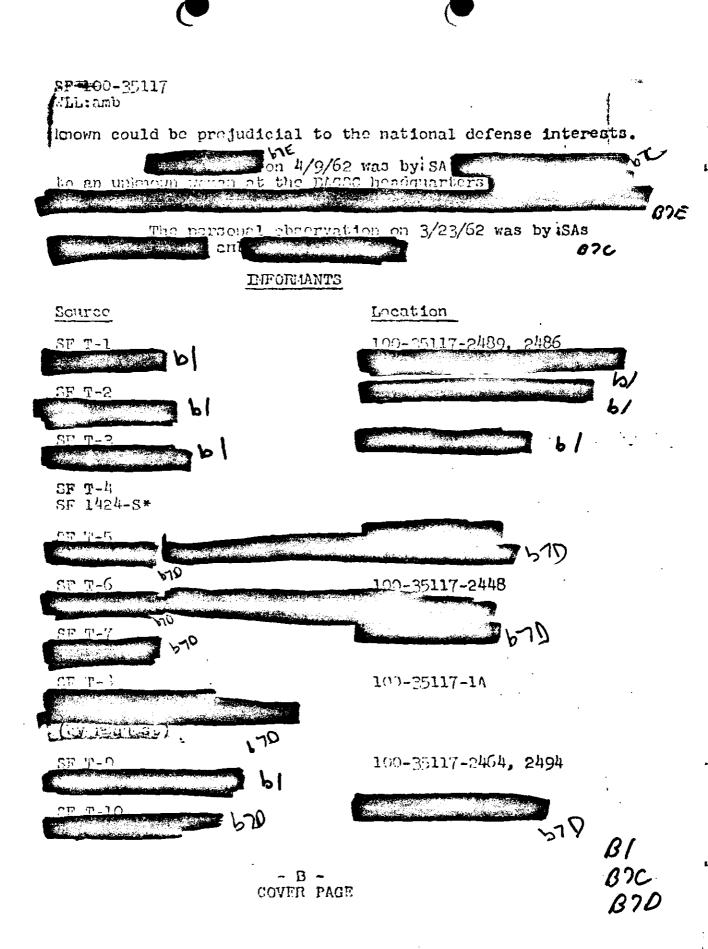
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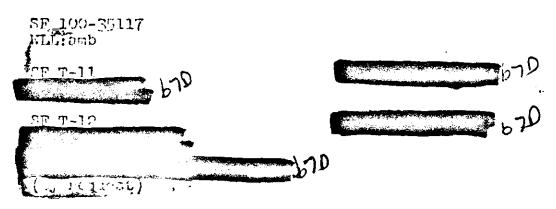
One copy of this report is being furnished to the Los Angeles Office for correlative purposes concerning the activities of the Los Angeles Sobell Committee.

Copies of this report are being disseminated to local intelligence agencies because of their interest in this matter.

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols have been utilized in those instances; only where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

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Will follow and report the activities of the Sobell Committee in the Con Francisco area.

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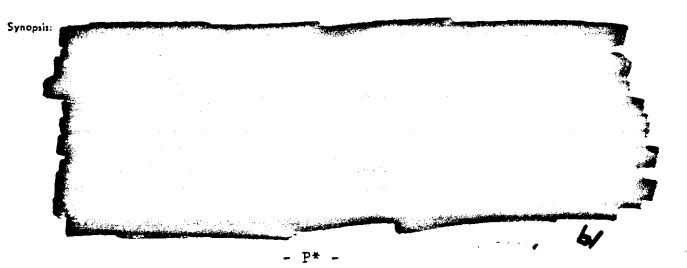
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#### DETAILS

For the purpose of brevity, the Bay Area Council of Sobell Committees and the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL will hereinafter be referred to as the BACSC and CSJMS.

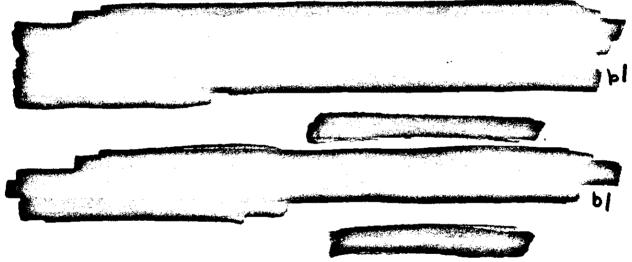
See Appendix Pages regarding the BACSC and the CSJMS.

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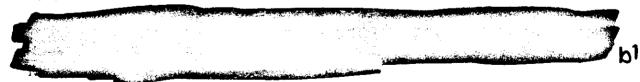
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by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it was determined that the BACSC continues to maintain its headquarters at 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco, by California.

II. Finances



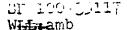
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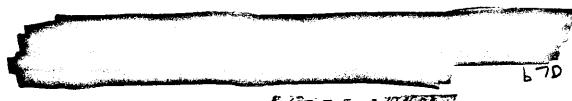


(SF T-2 and SF T-3, supra)

As of August, 1946, EUGENE EAGLE was the Club Chairman of the Oakland Branch of the Communist Party (CP) in Oakland, California.

(SF T-4, 8/28/46)





# (SF T-5, 1/8/60)

See infra, where WARREN K. BILLINGS is identified as Chairman of the BACSC as of November 11, 1961.

The December 3, 1961 issue of the "People's World" ("PW") newspaper identified WARREN K. BILLINGS as the person who was recently pardoned as a participant in the 1916 Preparedness Day bombing with TOM MOONEY.

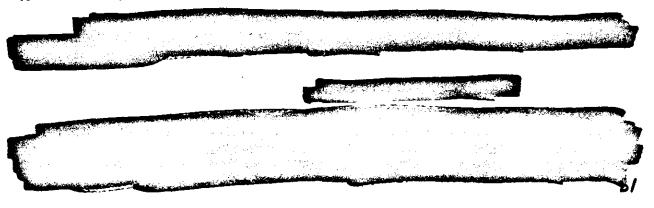
The PW is a West Coast communist newspaper published weekly at San Francisco, California.

On March 27, 1953, WARREN KNOX BILLINGS advised Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that he was not, and had never been, a member of the CP but described himself as a "philosophical anarchist."



(SF T-6, 10/23/61)

See BACSC Appendix Page for characterization of MARY KRVAR.



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(SF T-2, 1/9/62)

## TV. Activities

#### 1. San Francisco Area

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[A dinner held in San Francisco on Decotor 5, 1951, for the Sobell Committee.]

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A mailing was received from the BACSC which contained s letter dated November 11, 1961, on the letterhead of the EACSC, and an announcement of a Movember 28, 1961, benefit for MORTON SOBELL. The letter, bearing stamped signature of WARREN K. BILLINGS, Chairman, sets out that since the Justice Department has refused executive clemency to MORTON SCHILL, HELEN SOBELL reserves the right to plead her case to the public via legal motions, public meetings and demonstrations. She intends to continue her walks before the Unite House on every possible occasion. The letter reflects that inasmuch as Sobell Committees all over the United States plan to make similar walks in their cities the BACSC plans their walk for November 25, 1961, from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M., outside of the Federal Building Main Post Office, San Francisco. The letter concludes by asking for a monetary contribution to the BACSS in the event the recipient is unable to join in the walk.

The announcement for the Sobell benefit reflects that on November 28, 1951, DONALD PIPPIN will present a piano concept of classical music at the Old Spaghetti Factory Cafe, San Transisco, with admission \$1.50 per person.

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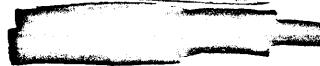
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on Fobruary 2, 1944, HELEN GULLATIZ (HELEN SOBELL, Mrs. MORTON SOCIELL) as a member of the Education and Literature Committee of the CP ir Washington, D.C. as 10 of February 1, 1944.



SF T-10 advised on December 15, 1951, and SF T-11 advised on December 11, 1951, that they too had received copies of the above letter announcing the walk.

There were about ten pensons micketing the Federal Pulled Hain Post Office, San Francisco, on December 2, 1961, and they were handing out copies of the Hovember, 1961 Sobell Newspaper "Give a Day of Northite" to passers-by.



Dr. FUGENE EAGLE passed out Sobell literature at the December 15, 1961, meeting of the Committee for Constitutional Liberties (CCL) held at 150 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco. Living the collection speech several groups donated money and one such group was "MORTON SOBELLIE".

(SF T-12, 12/18/61)

See Appendix Page regarding CCL.

Page 3, colmun 5, of the January 30, 1962, itsue of the PW contains an article entitled "Sobell Picketing," The article reflects that there will be picketing on February 10, 1752, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM, at San Francisco, in connection with a new court petition being submitted on behalf of MORTON BOBBLL.

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The March 29, 1962, issue of the "Golden Gater", a student newspaper at Sen Francisco State College, San Francisco, contains an article concerning an interview with HELEN SCHELL at the "Golden Gater" Office on March 22, 1962. Mrs. SOBILL who is described as a former physicist and credentialed teacher, described her efforts over the past ten years to free her husband and stated that he was tried only because he refused to testify against the ROSENBERGS. She stated that the CSJMS has a three point plan to free her husband:

- 1. Petition for Executive Clamency.
- 2. Two legal motions, which, if accepted, will result in a new trial or freedom.
- 3. Requesting parole when he is eligible on July 27, 1962.

JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were convicted in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, of conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union. The ROSENBERGS were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953.

Page 3, Column 1, of the February 10, 1952, issue of the "PW" newspaper, contains an article entitled "Pickets planned by Sobell Group." This article reflects that the Bay Area Sobell Committee will announce further details at a later time concerning a demonstration on behalf of MOFTON SOBELL when President JOHN F. KENNEDY speaks at the University of California, Berkeley, (UC), on March 22, 1952.

The March 21, 1962 issue of the "San Francisco Mews-Call Bulletin", a daily San Francisco newspaper, contains an article entitled "Picket Groups Organize at UC for JFK Visit." This article reflects that HELEN SCHELL and a group of followers will picket and urge freedom for MORTON SOBELL during President KEMMEDY's visit to UC on March 23, 1962.

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(SF T-1, 3/14/62)

Page 12, column 1-2, of the March 17, 1962, issue of the "PW" newspaper, contains an article entitled "Mrs. Sobell to report on Mission to Europe." This article announces the March 24, 1962 reception for Mrs. SOBELL's report on the European trip and the March 23, 1962 picketing to be held at UC, Borkeley. The article notes that the picketing is "in line with her practice of carrying her appeal directly to President KENNEDY."

A mailing was received from WARREN K. BILLINGS, Chairman of the BACSC, announcing a reception for HELEN SOBELL to be given March 24, 1962, at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco, under the auspices of the CSJMS, 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco. Reservations were to be sent to PEATRICE JENKINS.

(SF T-8, 3/30/62)

See supra, for CP membership of JENKINS as of September 27, 1961.

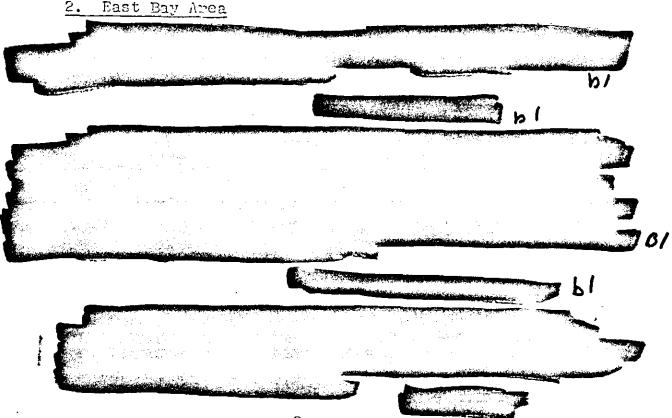
The March 22, 1962 issue of the "Oakland Tribune", a daily newspaper in Oakland, California, contains an article entitled "Spy's wife--Mrs. SOBELL in SF Talk Saturday."
This article reflects that HELEN SOBELL and a group of friends will plaket in front of the International House on the UC campus on March 23, 1962, and the next day she will speak at a resortion at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco, to tell of her recent trip to Europe to enlist prominent persons in her fight to free her husband.

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Page 15, column 1, of the "National Guardian" (NG) contains an announcement that HELEN SOBELL will report on her European trip on March 24, 1962, at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco.

See Appendix Page for the MG.

Page 2, columns 3-5, of the March 31, 1952 issue of the PW contains an article entitled "A wife walks a long path." This article reflects that on March 23, 1952, HELEN SOBELL and WARREN BILLINGS led a picket line as thousands passed them enroute to hear President KENNEDY speak at UC. It told of the efforts Mrs. SOBELL has made on behalf of her husband and how individuals are being urged to write KENNEDY urging executive clemency, and to participate in walks and picket lines in front of Federal buildings. The article reflects that at the March 24, 1962 reception in San Francisco nearly 200 persons heard HELEN SOBELL speak, and observed the presentation of a painting to BILLINGS for his tireless work on behalf of SOBELL and congratulations for the winning back of his citizenship.



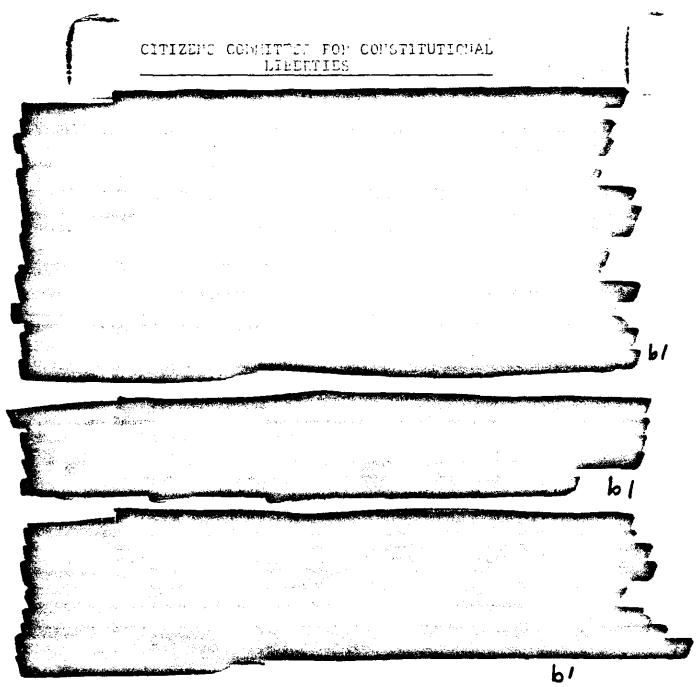
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Page 1 of the March 16, 1962 issue of "The Daily Californian", a student newspaper at UC, contained an article entitled "Pickets slated for Ceremonies." This article reflects that HELEN SOBEL will address a campus audience on March 21, 1962 at Dwinelle Hall, UC, concerning her husband's case and will picket President KENNEDY on March 23, 1962, when he appears at UC. Most of the article sets out information furnished by EUGENE EAGAL concerning the injustice of the SOBEL case.

The March 23, 1962 issue of "The Daily Californian" contains an article entitled "HELEN SOBELL to picket today in Attempt to Free Husband." The article reflects that HELEN SOBELL and about 20 supporters will picket March 23, 1962, in front of the International House in an attempt to have President KENNEDY commute her husband's sentence. She reportedly stated to a campus audience on March 21, 1962, that her husband is completely innocent and was convicted only upon the testimony of a confessed perjurer, MAX ELITCHER, who was never sentenced. She told of her recent trip to Europe and how she has the support of England's Lord CHORELY, thirty members of inclinent and a number of schools and organizations in Europe. The concluded by stating that she didn't think the ROSENBERGS were guilty either.



On March 23, 1962, Special Agents of the FBI observed a group of individuals, led by HELEN SOBELL and MARREN BILLINGS, picketing in front of the International House, 2299 Piedmont Avenue, Berkeley. The group, which varied in six from eleven to twenty-nine, picketed and passed our literature to passers-by enroute to hear President KENNEDY speak at the nearby UC stadium. The Literature was the January 1962 issue of the Sobell newspaper, "Give a Day of Your Life", and a reproduction of an editorial entitled "The Sobell Case", which appeared in the December 15, 1961, issue of the "Columbia Daily Spectator", a student newspaper at Columbia University, New York City, New York. The group carried picket signs supporting clemency or pardon for MORTON SOBELL and picketed from 11:30 A.M. to 2:05 P.M., and from 2:50 P.M. until 3:20 P.M.



It is to engage in penerating a popular defense movement to mobilize legal assistance of any organization or individual whose "democratic rights are infringed upon by these laws." This committee uants to encourage the creation of local organizations or groups to work in support of any one of the above-stated objectives. The committee will also serve as an exchange center of material and provide speakers for any local organization.

AFPENDIX PACE

# CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTILS (LORTHERN CALIFORNIA)

A source advised on June 19, 1961, that MICKIY LIMA, Chairman, Forthern California District, Communist Party (CF), reported on June 15, 1961, that the CF, USA, in response to the Supreme Court decision of June 5, 1961, relating to the Internal Security Act of 1950 (ISA-50) had decided to create a committee known as Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties (CCCL), 22 East 17th Street, New York City, and that a local committee would be organized for Morthern California.

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A second source advised on September 14, 1961, that the CCCL had opened an office at 942 Market Street, Room 401, San Francisco, California, and that some of the furniture for this office had come from the CP office on the same floor.

A third source advised on September 25, 1961, that MICKEY LIMA (Supra) had indicated no further organizational efforts would be expended on the CCCL in Morthern California until the local CP resolves its policy with regard to this committee.

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#### "NATIONAL GUARDIAN"

"Established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a 'progressive' weekly....Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia." (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, "Trial by Treason" The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell," August 25, 1956, p. 12.)

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#### BAY AREA COUNCIL OF SOBELL CONTITTENS

A source advised on October 31, 1955, that the Fay Area Council of Sobell Committees (BACL) was formed on October 17, 1955, in San Francisco, California, as the local affiliate of the National Sobell Committee, to carry out the policies of the National Committee to obtain the freedom of NORTON SOFELL.

On November 25, 1959, a second source advised that the PACSC, also referred to as the Northern California Council of Sobell Committees, is one and the same, and their head-quarters is located at 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco, California, and is continuing to function and plan future Sobell affairs.

On December 18, 1959, a third source advised that MARY KRVAR, a member of the Warehouse Club, Communist Party (CP), East Bay Region, Oakland, California, and the paid organizer for the EACSC, has stated that the CP is interested in controlling the BACSC so that the BACSC will continue to follow the line of the Mational Sobell Committee in attempting to obtain the freedom of MORTON SOBELL.

On May 2, 1951, the second source advised that the BACSC was still active and planning future Sobell activities.

The CP, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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#### COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies Ethel and Julius Rosenberg in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon Morton Sobell,' the Rosenbergs' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg - Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Norton Sobell in the Rosenberg case'..."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated January 2, 1957, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 50.)

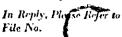
In September, 1954, the name "national Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March 1955, the current name "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The 1950 - 1951 Borough of Hanhattan telephone directory lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

APPENDIX







### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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San Francisco, California

Title:

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR

MORTON SOBELL

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - C;

INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Reference:

Report of Special Agent dated and captioned as above at San

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Title:

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE

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Synopsis:

AL T-1 reports Syracuse Sobell Committee continues as Eastern Regional affiliate of Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Informant states LILLIAN PEINER, and JANE AMPERSON are Chair was coll feeratery-Treasurer respectively of Syracuse Schall Committee. AL T-2 and AL T-3 report Syracuse Sobell Cormittee (SSC) inactive since Fall of 1961. Address of LILLIAN EDINER listed as Committee \$5 location for Committee to Secure Justice for Horton Sobell (CSJMS) per January, 1962, issue of paper published by CSJMS. Petitions on behalf of MORTON SOBELL circulated throughout Vermont as well as Upstate and Contral New York.

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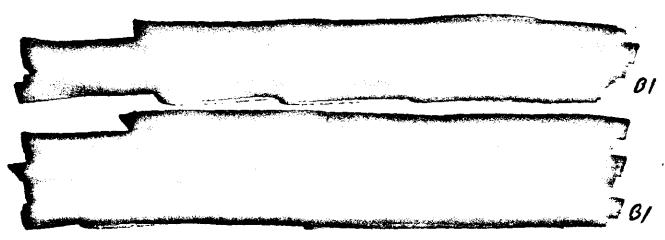
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On January 15, 1962, Confidential Informant AU T-1 dvised that one of the affiliates of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS) in the Eastern Region of the United States is the Syracuse, New York Chapter.

On March 29, 1962, Confidential Informant ALCT-2

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and on April 2, 1962, Confidential Informant AL T-3 advised that the leading figures in the Syracuse Chapter of the CSJMS are LILLIAN REINER, identified by these sources as Chairman and JAND ANDERSON who is the Secretary-Treasurer of the SSC.



On February 27, 1962, AL T-3 made available the January, 1962, issue of a newspaper published by the Committee to Secure Justice for Norton Sobell captioned "Give a Day of Your Life." On page four of this paper there appears a block captioned "Help the Sobell Committee Tour Your Home City" and thereafter are listed nine separate committees of this organization throughout the United States. It is noted that Committee \$5, is captioned "Syracuse Sobell Committee, 1009 Cumberland Avenue, Syracuse, N.Y."

On April 2, 1962, AL T-3 advised that 1009 Cumberland Ave., is the residence of LILLIAN REINER.

In Feedman, 1961, the Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice made available 18 petitions circulated throughout the States of New York and Vermont by the CSJNS. These petitions were addressed to the President of the United States on behalf of MORTON SOBELL and directed to the President by residents of these States. These petitions requested the President to initiate action on behalf of MORTON SCHELL and cause this case to be reopened stating that the centence imposed upon SOBELL was excessive and he should be granted enecutive clemency.

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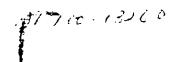
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Another Confidential Louwer advised that as of March 11, 1951, LILLIAN KAINER was not known as a Communist Party member, Let as Chrisman of the American Labor Party at Syracuse, New York members of the American Labor Party members.

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#### AMERICAN LABOR PARTY

"For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn Sections of the American Labor Party, but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control." (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 78.)

"Communist dissimulation extends into the field of political parties forming political front organizations such as the \*\*\* American Labor Party. The Communists are thus enabled to present their candidates for elective office under other than a straight Communist label." (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)

On October 7, 1956, PETER HAVLEY, New York State Chairman, American Labor Party, publicly announced the American Labor Party state committee unanimously approved a resolution dissolving the organization and ordering the liquidation of its assets.

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#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Albany, New York

April 20, 1962

Title COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

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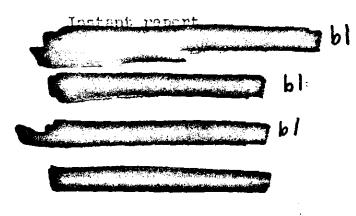
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SA April 30, 1962

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Title:

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL,

BALTIMORE BRANCH

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Symopsiaccording to informants, local Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL maintains no headquarters or office facilities. Membership consists of 5 members; 2 are current CP members, 2 identified as CP members in past. JULIA SAMUELS is Chairman. Activities and evidence of CP domination or control set forth.

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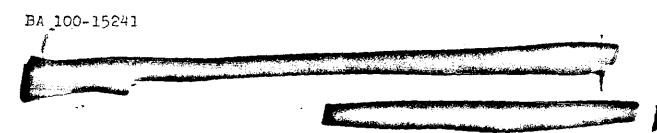
The Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, Baltimore Branch, maintains no official headquarters or office facilities.

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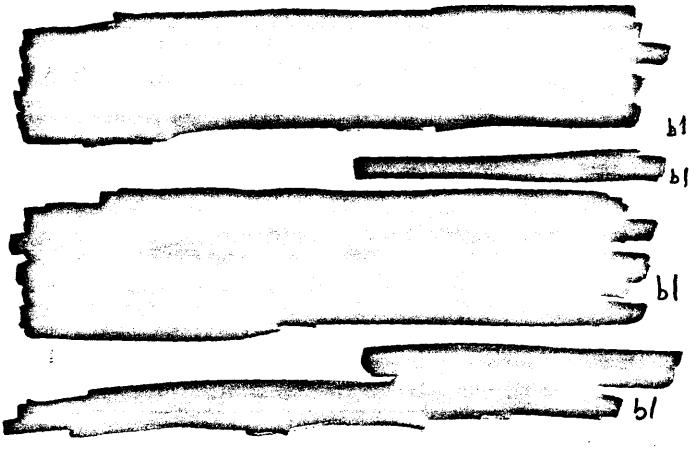
JULIA SAMUELS was identified as a member of the CP as of October 28, 1952.

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LEAH KATZ was identified as a member of the CP during 1952.

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#### III. ACTIVITIES



### COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE TR HORTON SORELL

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The subject is being considered for removal from Security Index in the Newark Office. However, subject has been in the past an official of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE DOSMINERS CASE. (B.C.S.J.M.S.R.C.)

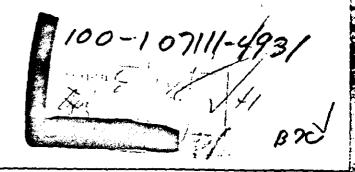
Informants familiar with some phases of CP activity, were contacted on 4/19/02 and could supply no information concerning the subject.

New York, will contact sources for any activity on subject's part in N.C.S.J.M.S.R.C.

New York will check incorporation records for H.C.S.J.M.S.R.C. to see if subject is listed as member of incorporating group.

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NATIONAL COMM TO SECURE JUSTICE FORMORTON SOBELL SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION CHARACTERIZATION

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The deadline for this project is May 18, 1962.

Pursuant to instructions set forth in Part II, Section 4, pages 21-23, of the Manual of Rules and Regulation, the NYO must submit annually by June 1st certain information concerning the characterization of organizations.

The above-captioned organization is among those organizations on which a characterization has previously been submitted and should be brought up to date, or one on which a characterizatic should be submitted.

the existing thumbhail sketch on captioned organization to determine if the sketch is current, or to review the case file and prepare an original sketch where none exists.

All sketches should be rewritten to reflect current status of the organization and should be clear and concise. They should reflect date organization formed; its aims and purposes; subversive initiation, domination, or control; and current status. Information in the sketch should be attributed to "a source" and no "T" symbols nor evaluation of the sources should be reflected in the sketch. The identity and evaluation of the sources used should be reflected at the end of the sketch, under the heading "Sources," with sufficient spacing to indicate it is not part of the sketch. This should be followed with the statement, "Careful consideration has been given and sources concealed only where absolutely necessary."

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Characterizations of organizations will fall in one of the following categories:

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- (B) Newly formed organizations which are pending and concerning which insufficient information exists as yet to prepare a thumbnail sketch.
- (C) All active organizations on which sketches are being submitted for approval.

If the case you are reviewing for this project falls in either of the first two categories, merely submit a memorandum for file, with a copy for the thumbnail sketch file (100-90311), reflecting Bureau file and date sketch submitted to Bureau reflecting organization is defunct. If the organization is newly formed, submit a memorandum reflecting Bureau file and a statement reflecting information set out in category "B." This memorandum should be forwarded to SA

If the organization falls within item "C," then prepare an up-to-date sketch, except in those cases where a current sketch has been submitted since April 1, 1962. In the latter case, merely submit a memorandum as above, reflecting date sketch submitted and Bureau file number.

Letters submitting sketches to the Bureau should be undated and prepared as iollows:

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At the time that you have the letter prepared, also have a 5 x 8 card typed reflecting the name of the organization at the upper left, Agent's name at top center, and the NY file number at upper right. Then have the sketch, identity and evaluation of sources, and statement about "Careful consideration" typed on the remainder of the card. Have your supervisor initial the card at lower left corner at the same time he initials the letter for transmittal to the Bureau. The letter, with card attached, should be forwarded to SA Section 41, and the letter will then be transmitted to the Bureau by means of a cover letter. The card will be retained by SA spending Bureau approval of the sketch.

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S.C., Philadelphia (100-37667)

May 17, 1962

PERSONAL ATTENTION

Director, FBI (100-387835)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL INTERNAL SECURITY - C INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

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The last paragraph of page 6 contains information identified as being furnished by PH T-22. This information relates to a picket line conducted by the Philadelphia Sobell Committee (PSC) on 3-31-62 (synopsis indicates the picketing activities took place 3-31-62). The date IH T-22 furnished this information, according to the above-referred-to paragraph, is obviously a typographical error inasmuch as it is listed as 8-31-62. The details of the report do not contain the date of the picketing activities.

In reviewing this paragraph, which also includes information concerning a fisur conducted by a Special Agent of the FSI and the remarks of one it is impossible to tell whether all the information in the paragraph was furnished by IN T-22 or some of it furnished by (it is obvious the information attributed to the fisur could not have been furnished by PN T-22. Additionally, it is not clear as to the significance of the comments of have a Communist Party (CP) background or hasis for being a reliable judge so that information he furnished would be of significance in this report? Also, the significance of the remarks made by bystanders as reported by the Special Agent conducting the fisur is vague. The purpose of this report is to show the subversive background of captioned organization, and unless sources used are credible witnesses and are in a position to furnish information bearing upon this subject, such information should be omitted from the report.

On pages 5 and 6 reference is made to Dr. Annette Rubinstein and Dr. Willard Uphaus as speakers at functions sponsored by the PSC. Dr. Rubinstein is on the Security Dexection.

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Index of the New York Office and Dr. Uphaus is on the Security Index of the New Naven Office. Both of these individuals are well-known "applogists" at CP front functions. Philadelphia should have obtained from the office of origin covering the residence of each of these individuals an appropriate subversive characterization to include in this report. It is noted no subversive information is included concerning Dr. Rubinstein, and the major portion of the information characterizing Dr. Uphaus is self-serving, i.e. descriptive information furnished by Dr. Uphaus himself.

The symmetric indicates the return mailing address of the PSC is 1.0. Now 908. On page 2 the address is listed as F. U. Now 905.

In various places in the report the date information was furnished by a source and/or the date of the activity have been omitted. Examples can be found on page 5, fourth paragraph; page 4, under the heading "General Activities," first paragraph; page 5, sixth paragraph; and page 6, first paragraph.

Cover page C indicates [11] -10, [11]-11, and [11] 1-12 were used to characterize [12] These characterizations do not appear in the report, and the details of the report do not refer to these sources. [70]

The appendix section of the report contains characterizations of the Committee to Scoure Justice for Morton Sobell, 13C. Polaware Valley Committee for Democratic Rights, Philadelphia Social Science Forum Committee, Emergency Civil Libertles Committee and the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Libertles. The sources used to characterize these organizations have not been identified in the cover pages of the report with the exception of the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Libertles. In this latter case, however, the sources used in the characterization have been identified twice; as PH T-13, PH T-14 and PH T-15; and at the bottom of cover page 100 under the herding "Appendix Informants."

Letter to Philadelphia
Re: Committee to Secure Justice
FOR MORTON SUBELL
100-387835

Finally, on cover page D\* PH T-21 is included in the list of sources used in the report. The details of the report do not refer to PH T-21.

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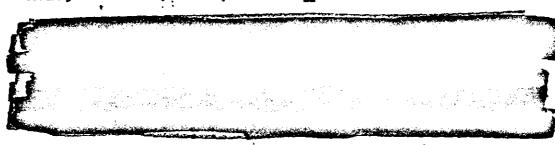
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\*Friday, March 30, 1962

"On March 30, 1962 a public meeting of the Sobell Committee was held at Seidler's Home, 8020 Cobden Road, Laverock, Pa. (direction in letter were wrong).



"Caroline Berger'was chairman of the meeting.

She introduced Mrs. Helen Sobell who explained her recent trip to England, Belgium and Italy. She was not allowed to leave airport in Frame. She said that she found much sympathy in the countries in Europe. She claims that she met promiment people who were in sympathy with Morton Sobell's cause. She produced numerous clippings to prove this."

March 30, 1962

"Mrs. Sobell said she was met at airport by WCAV
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on key 23, 1962, reported that on key 25, 1962, IRVING SURL, aka Yuri Suhl, of New York (NY file 100-99246) addressed a group of 15 communists at the residence of NORMAN BEFMAN, Chairmen of the Community Forum (CF) in Cleveland. SUHL identified himself as a good friend of NORTON SCHELL, and among other matters relating to SCHELL, stated that a motion picture is to be made in the United States on the life of RORTON SCHELL, and that HELEN SCHELL had given her approval to the production of the film. SUHL indicated that the making of the film is confidential and should not be discussed otherwise the FEI may try to shake down the producer. D7D

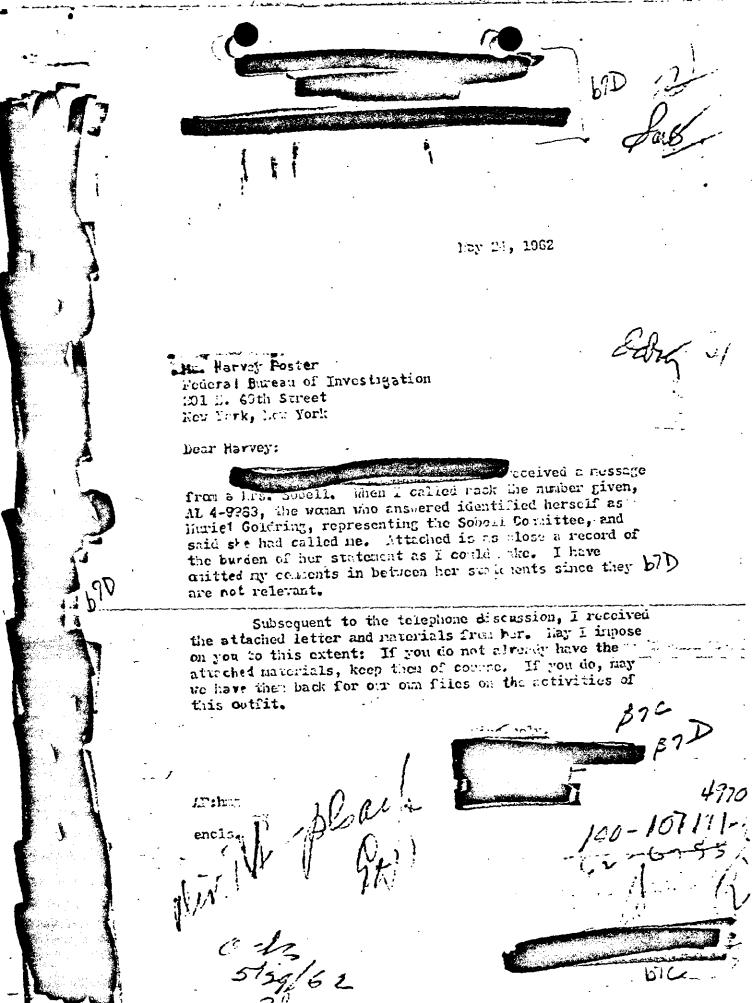
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Muriel Coldring:

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· 201 East 69th Street / New York 21, New York

May 29, 1962



I would like to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 24, 1962, and its enclosures.

Your interest in writing to this office is indeed appreciated and I hope that if in the future you are in possession of any information which you believe to be of interest to the Tederal Bureau of Investigation. that you will not hesitate to furnish it to us.

As suggested in your letter, I have retained Muriel Goldring's remarks to you. I am returning to you the other material that you had enclosed for your own files on the activities of this organization.

Sincerely yours.

G. POSTER Special Arent in Charge

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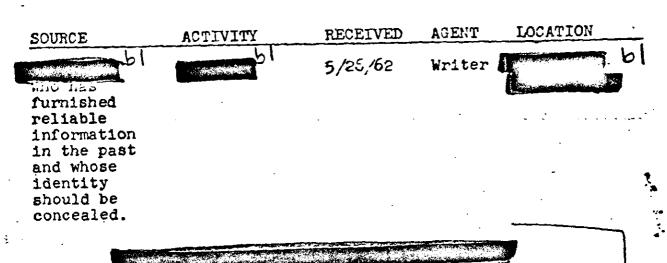
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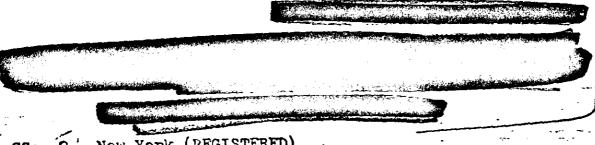
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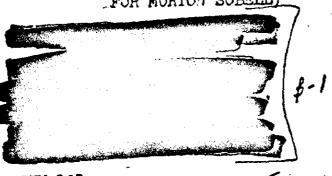
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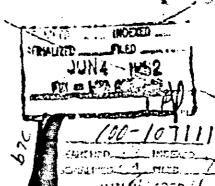
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# An Appeal to Free Sobell

# To the United States Mission to the United Nations

Tihs petition was presented April 7 to Adlai Stevenson, head of the U.S. delegation to the United Nations, by Mrs. Morton Sobell and her. U.S. delegation to the United Nations, by Mrs. Morton Sobell and her soon, Mark. Mrs. Sobell recently returned from a trip to Europe to son, Mark. Mrs. Sobell recently returned from a trip to Europe to explain the Sobell case. She enlisted the support of many public personalities such as Bertrand Russell and Arnold Wesker in England, as well as others mentioned in the appeal. These and other materials well as others mentioned in the appeal. These and other materials referred to below may be obtained from the Sobell Committee, 940 referred to below may be obtained from the Sobell Committee, 940 from No. Y. Morton Sobell becomes eligible for parole at the end of July, 1962. It is hoped the White House will be persuaded by aroused public opinion to grant this parole after 12 years of incarceration for Morton Sobell.

THE attached copies of appeals by

30 Members of Parliament in England, by the internationally known

British attorney Gerald Gardiner, and
by Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother
of Belgium, are indicative of the concern which the case of Morton Sobell
has evoked, not only in our own
country but in nations of the world.

Many organizations overseas concerned with civil liberties and hu-

man rights, have previously appealed to the White House. Such eminent persons as Lord Bertrand Russell of England, Dr. Martin Buber of Israel, Jean-Paul Sartre of France, and cellist Pablo Casals are among those on record as arging Morton Sobell's release. There is a long and honored list of persons and organizations in our own country who have made appeals for an end to Sobell's incarceration, now in the 12th year. Enclosed is a copy of a newspper summarizing these ap-

The first reason Morton Sobell should have long since been freed is that his imprisonment is morally wrong. The trial was held at a time of deep hysteria, the testimony against him rested on a single witness who was an admitted perjurer, the testimony was so flimsy that even if believed it never accused Sobell of giving or receiving any classified material, and the 30-year sentence was completely out of line with the evidence presented.

Morton Sobell has steadlastly main-

tained his innocence throughout his imprisonment. Many who have studied the case believe this to be the truth. Others, including legal scholars, believe the trial was unfair. When there is an avalanche of public criticism from authoritative individuals and organizations concerning the trial and conviction of a man, and especially where such a man has already served mearly 12 years of imprisonment, and becomes sheer vindictiveness to con-

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Mrs. Helen Sobel and her son Mark, 12, presenting their petition at the UN to Adlai Stevenson April 7:

tinue to keep him from his family.

As the National Jewish Post and Opinion stated in an editorial of Dec. 22, 1961, "Enough qualified American and world leaders have expressed doubt about the testimony surrounding his conviction to warrant even those who are not aware of the intimate deta is of the case to take the position that he has paid his debt to society and should be freed by executive action."

This becomes a particular concernnot only for the Justice Department and the White House staff of President Kennedy, but to all whose daily work it is to project the image of our nation before world public opinion. The price our country continues to pay by keeping Morter Sobell in prison is not only the evil that results internally

from perpetuating an injustice; it is also the lack of respect that occurs abroad when others can look at us and observe that we are still compounding abuses that occurred during the McCarthy era instead of forthrightly seeing to it that injustices of that harmful period are rectified.

That is why we believe it is important for the United States Mission to the United Nations to at once consider this case, study the appeals of those speaking in Morton Sobell's behalf, and recommend to President Kennedy that in the interests of our country, speedy action be taken to restore Morton Sobell to his family. We thank you for giving this your attention and await your decision.

HELEN L. SOBELL (Mrs. Morton Sobell)

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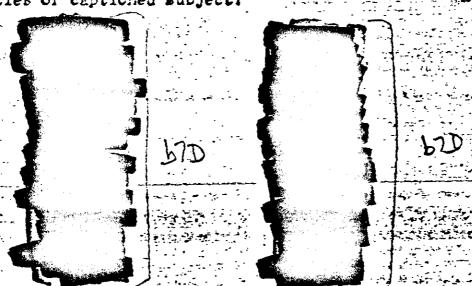
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During May, 1962, the following established sources of the NYO all of whom are familiar with certain phases of the activities of the CP in the NYC area and who have furnished reliable information in the past, were contacted with negative results concerning the current activities of captioned subject:



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to be made of the records of the New York County Clerk's
Office. New York State Supreme Court, Foley Square, NYC,
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registered with the Charities Registration Bureau, New York State - Department of State, Department on Social Welfare, Albany, New York. Such information is not now a part of the NYO file regarding this organization. A lead to Albany concerning a search for such registration and its possible inclusion of captioned subject within such registration, is being left to the discretion of Newark.

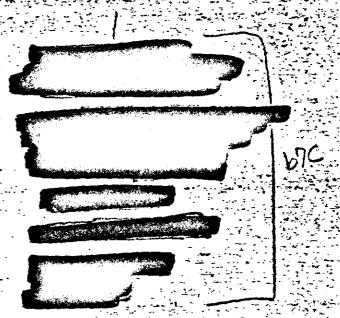
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The above information which is considered pertinent will be incorporated in the next annual report prepared on this subject. At the present time, this case is being placed in a closed status by the NYO.

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is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 as it contains information which would disclose an intelligence source. This serial bears the Classification Officers number.

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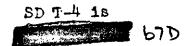
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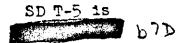
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#### ADMINISTRATIVE

For information purposes, Los Angeles is being furnished one copy and New York two copies of this report.

Copies of this report are also being furnished to interested local intelligence agencies.

This report is classified "Configuratial" because data reported from SD T-1 through SD T-7, inclusive, if revealed, could reasonably result in identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise their effectiveness.

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T-symbols were used in this report only in those instances where the identity of the informants must be concealed.

Because of the information reflected in this report, it does not lend itself to extensive breakdown,

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and topical headings were not used.

The last known activity on the part of the San Diego Sobell Committee occurred in March, 1961. Since instant report reflects that the San Diego Sobell Committee, according to its chairman, is inactive, this case is being placed in a closed status. Should information come to the attention of the San Diego Office indicating that the The filling Somes were work to Churchige
the SD SC: Committee is activated, the case will be re-opened for

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June 10, 1952

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

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SD T-2 advised on December 16, 1959, that the San Diego Sobell Committee (SDSC) is the San Diego, California, affiliate of the Committee to Secure Justicefor Morton Sobell, a characterization of which is attached to the appendix hereto.

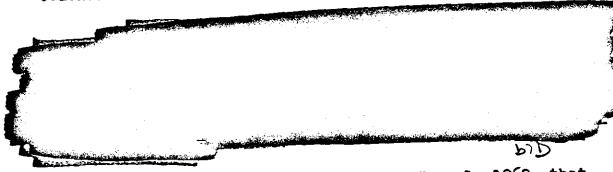
SD T-1 and SD T-2 advised on February 15, 1962, that the San Diego Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SDB-SWP) hoped to organize a Committee to Defend Wendell Phillips and, in this regard, desired to contact Dr. HAROLD C. UREY, Professor at Large, University of California at a Jolla, and former Nobel Prize winner, because they felt the need to have prominent people affiliated with such a

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order 10450.

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The "Militant", an SWP weekly newspaper, in the issue dated January 20, 1952, reflected that WENDELL PHILLIPS, welding instructor and SWP member, was officially suspended January 15, 1962, by the Fullerton (California) Junior College Board of Trustees. The decision specified that he was being terminated because he had failed to answer all questions put to him at a prior public hearing of the Board. According to this article, PHILLIPS announced that he would appeal the Board's decision and use whatever legal means deemed necessary to seek his reinstatement as a teacher.



SD T-1 and SD T-2 advised on June 1, 1962, that they could furnish no information concerning recent activity on the part of the SDSC, which, according to the best moveledge of these sources, continues to be inactive.

SD T-3 advised on May 31, 1962, that he knew of no recent activity on the part of the SDSC and that in his opinion the organization was completely inactive.

SD T-4 advised on June 4, 1962, and SD T-5 advised on May 28, 1962, that they knew of no recent activity on the part of the SDSC and could furnish no information the organization.

SD T-6 and SD T-7 advised on May 31, 1962, that they knew of no recent activity on the part of the SDSC and that to the best of their knowledge, the organization was inactive.

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# COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

Following the execution of atomic spies Ethel and Julius Rosenberg in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon Morton Sobell,' the Rosenbergs' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg case...

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated January 2, 1957, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 60.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee...

The 1960-61 Borough of Manhattan telephone directory lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

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San Diego Sobell Committee, aka. Morton Sobell Defense Committee, Sobell Defense Committee, San Diego Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell

A confidential source advised on May 1, 1957, that the San Diego Sobell Committee (SDSC), aka. Morton Sobell Defense Committee, San Diego Committee to Committee, Sobell Defense Committee, San Diego Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, was organized on April 8, 1956, at San Diego, California, to help obtain a new trial for Morton Sobell, convicted in 1951 for conspiracy to commit espionage on benalf of the Soviet Union. Source further advised that the SDSC is an adjunct of the Rational Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case, New York, New York, which directs activities, policy, and obtains financial support from the various Sobell Committees throughout the country.

Another source advised on May 1, 1962, that the San Diego Sobell Committee is still in existence and is controlled and formated by the Communist Party in San Diego, California, although its membership includes members of the Socialist Workers Party in San Diego.

The Communist Party and the Socialist Workers Party have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. San Diego, California
June 18, 1962

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

Character

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Reference

Report of dated and captioned as above b7C at San Diego, California.

All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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On May 10, 1962, who has furnished reliable information in the past, provided the writer with a written report concerning the bank account of the captioned organization. This account is maintained at the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, 111 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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concerning the day to day activities of this account, a statement should follow that this information is not to be made public without the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to bank. When using the information concerning checks drawn on this account, a statement should follow that this information is no longer in possession of the source or b7D the bank.

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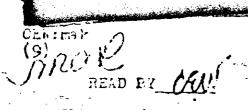
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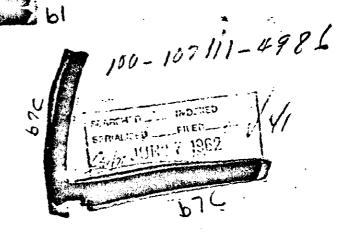
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> Informant' report is quoted as follows:

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ER: LOS ANGELES COMMITTES FOR

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advised on 6/23/62 that the 12th annual

Festival of Nationalities was held as scheduled on 6/24/62 at Croation Park, 330 S. Ford Elvd., Los Angeles.

Approximately 1300 to 1400 persons attended this affair which featured food and cultural exhibits of various nationality crowns.

spoke at the affair and was highly elated over the dismissal by the Government of deportation proceedings against BEN CRIZ, local Forican deportee. CHERNIN attributed this

CRIZ, local Morican deportee. CHERNIN attributed this action to President KENNEDY's forthcoming visit to Mexico and a desire to ease tension. Distributed at the Festival beare printed postcards addressed to President KENNEDY which

\*Dear President Kennedra

bear the following message:

Morton Sobell becomes eligible for parole on July 27.

I urgently request that he be freed by that time either by parole or by an act of executive elemency. It is important for the well-being of the United States to resolve this pressing issue now.

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July 3, 1962

SAC. San Diego (100-9380)

Director, FBI (100-387835)

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Rorer SA dated 6-18-62 at San Diego.

The status of rerep has been changed to "RUC" inasmuch as New York is office of origin and San Diego is an auxiliary office in this investigation. All offices should make this change in copies of the report.

On Cover Page B under the heading "Administrative" it is noted a copy of the report is furnished to Los Angeles end two copies to New York for information purposes. Son Diego refer to the FBI Handbook, Part I, page 47, Item f, which instructs a specific explanation bust be set out as to phy information copies are sent to another field office. The fact that a copy was sent to los Angeles for information purposes is not responsive to these instructions. No explanation is required for furnishing the office of origin copies of a report. This should be brought to the attention of sypropriate personnel for their future guidance.

Un Page 4° the current characterization of the Sen Diego Sobell Cormittee (SDSC) is included; however, the use of this characterization in a report which shows the. SDSC is inactive is inconsistent. San Diego refer to the FBI Handbook, Part 1, page 650, Item (i), wherein instructions are included that the field should submit a complete up-to-date characterization of an organization which has become defunct as an enclosure to the closing report. Such a characterization should have been included as an enclosure to rerep. San Liego, therefore, should immediately submit a characterization of the SDSC showing its present status for Bureau approval. Further, the identities of the sources used to characterize the SDSC-Les should add to Cover

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New York (10-107111) have not been set forth in the cover pages of rerep. All offices should add to Cover Page C\* the following sources -100-107111-4990

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FOR MORTO SOBELL
100-387835

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to document the SDSC:

Finally, the San Diego Branch of the Socialist Forkers Party, referred to on page one, was not characterized in the appendix pages of rerep. Appropriate characterizations of subversive organizations should always be included in the appendix pages of a report when such organizations are mentioned in the details of a report and San Diego should be guided accordingly in the future.

The foregoing comments and instructions should be brought to the attention of personnel handling reports of this nature and form errors should be scored against responsible personnel where pertinent.

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SAC, CHICAGO (100-25530)

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CHICAGO SOBELL CONVITTEE IS - C

On 6/8/62, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the writer a written report concerning information about the bank account of captioned organization for the month of May, 1962, b7D

The original report is filed in b7D.

This bank account is maintained at the Amalgamated

Trust and Savings Bank, 111 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois. It should be noted that when using the information concerning the day-to-day activity of this account, a statement should follow that this information is not to be made public without the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to of this bank. The information concerning checks drawn against this account should be followed with a statement that this information is no longer

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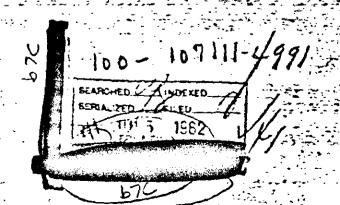
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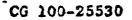
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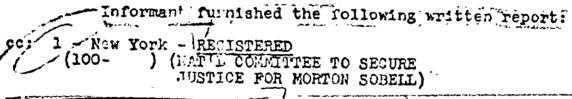
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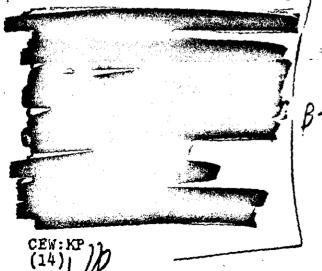
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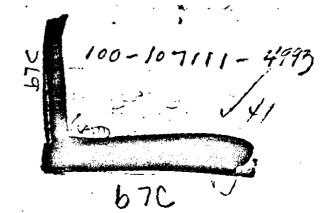
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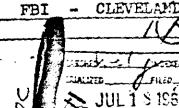
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"Among those present were:

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"On May 25, 1962, a group of Communists met at the residence of NORMAN BERMAN, 3641 Pennington, Shaker Heights, Ohio, to hear YURI SUHL of New York speak on behalf of NOPTON SCEPLI.

"JEAN ROBBINS opened the meeting, explaining how nice it was of YURI SUHL to drop his work and travel on behalf of MORTON SOBELL. She mentioned some of SUHL's books. She introduced SUHL, who she stated would bring them up to date on the MORTON SOBELL case.

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"YURI SUHL reviewed the history of the case of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. He stated it had never been proven that MORTON SOBELL had committed expionage; that SOBELL had been kidnapped in Mexico and returned to the U. S.; that MORTON SOBELL had been asked to testify against the ROSENBERGs but had refused. SUHL quoted statements of judges and ministers which were favorable to MORTON SOBELL. He explained that MORTON SOBELL had recently appeared before the Parole Board, and that it appeared that conditions were favorable for his parole. He stated that HELEN SOBELL is losing her courage and is-looking old, and urged that theywrite to her, and that he was afraid that if MORTON SOBELL were not paroled she would break up completely.

"YURI SUHL stated that HELEN SOBELL had given her approval to the making of a motion picture of the life of MORTON SOBELL, which is to be made in the .U. S. He indicated that this information was confidential, and that if the FBI knew about it, they would try to 'shake down the producer'.

"Every one present signed cards, addressed to the President of the U.S. urging that MORTON SOBELL be freed either by parole or by executive clemency. Additional cards were also distributed to those present which they were to have their friends sign and mail.

"YURI SUHL solicited contributions to help pay for the legal fees in regard to MORTON SOBELL, and everyone contributed.

"JEAN ROBBINS mentioned that the brother-in-law of Rabbi HOROWITZ is going to GEORGIA and would see MORTON SOBELL. The group also discussed getting in touch with certain ministers who might be helpful in the campaign to free SOBELL.

"JEAN ROBBINS had tickets to the Annual Memorial meeting of the Cleveland Committee for a Sane Nuclear

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"Policy, which she was selling.

"Some discussion was also held as to how RUTH EMMER would travel to Washington, D. C. in order that she might appear before the HCUA."

With the above report, source furnished a card directed to President KENNEDY calling for parole of SOBELL.

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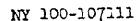
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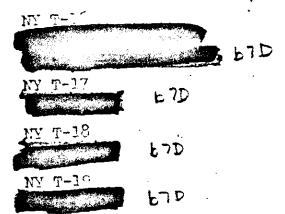
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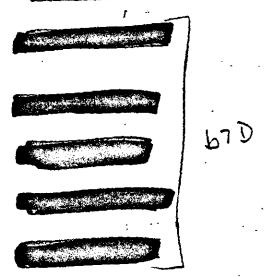
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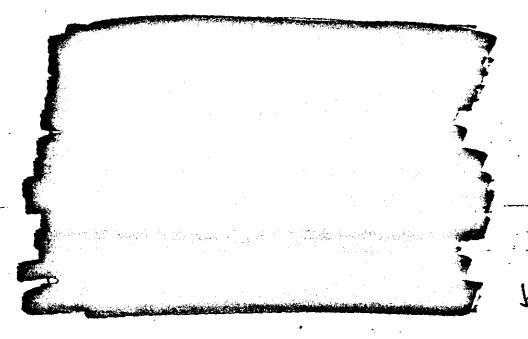
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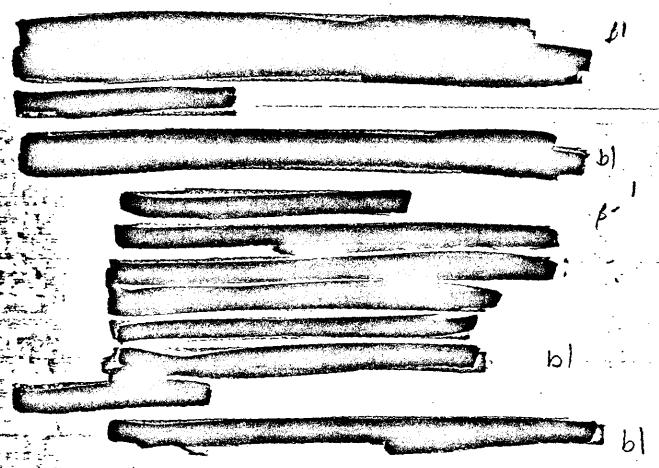


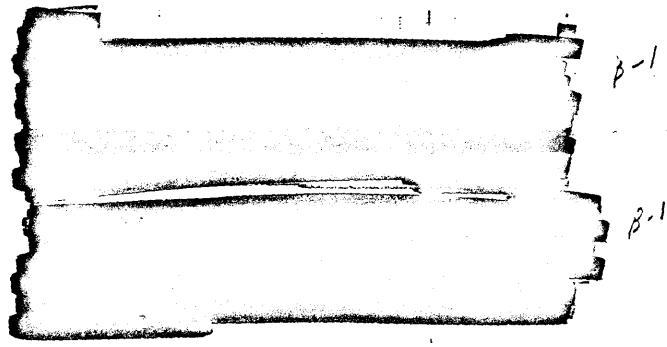
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A characterization of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS) may be found in the Appendix of this report.

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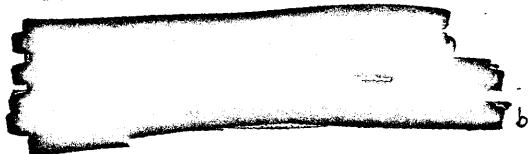
# JULIUS and ETHEL ROSEIFERG and MORTON SOBELL

JULIUS and ETHEL ROSEMBERG and MORTON SOBELL were convicted in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, on a charge of Conspiracy to Commit Espionage on behalf of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR). The ROSE BERGs were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and MORTON SOBELL was sentence to 30 years imprisonment on the same date. JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENEERG were legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953. MORTON SOBELL is currently serving his sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia.

# TED JACOBS

NY T-2 advised on November 7, 1956, that a photograph of WILLIAM WOLF was identical to an individual whom the informant knew to be TED JACOBS of the CSJMS.

NY T-3 advised on December 18, 1056, that WILLIAM WOLF who was active in the youth movement in the CP. NY T-3 advised that he had not heard WOLF referred to as TED JACOBS.



# LEAH SCHNEIDER

LEAH SCHNEIDER had been an active member of the City Branch of the CP in Austin, Texas.

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# MARGARET BLAU

NY-T-4-advised on September 2, 1954, that MARGARET KANTER BLAU was the Organizational Secretary of the Fifth North Section of the Upper West Side Region of the New York State CP at one period of time between 1948 and 1950.

#### HELEN SOBELL

SOBELL, MORTON SOBELL), as a member of the Education and Literature Committee of the CP in Washington, D. C., as of February 1, 1944. 675

#### ROSE SOBELL

040 St. Anns Avenue, Eronx, New York, anvised during 1950 that the SOBELL family had resided at this address from about July, 1021, to December, 1940.

ROSE SOBELL to be a CP member because of this, he could not confirm her as a member of the b7D CP or a Communist front organization.

# FRANK MILLER

NY T-5 advised on June 26, 1961, that FRANK MILLER, an office worker in the CSJMS National Headquarters in New York City, had been attending various CP meetings during and after World War II.

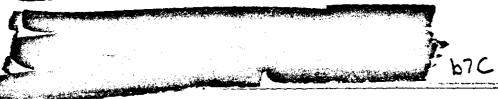
# AARON KATZ

NY T-6 advised on April 27, 1944, that AARON KATZ was a member of the CP for six years and had been transferred into the Waterfront Section of the CP on December 23,1943. According to NY T-6, KATZ in 1944 held CP membership book number 31250.

According to NY T-7, KATZ sat on the stage at the 40th Anniversary celebration of the CP, USA, held September 25, 1959, at Carnegie Hall, in New York City.

The files of the New York City Police Department, Bureau of Criminal Toentification, as checked by SA November 1, 1961, included the following local arrest record for AARON MATZ, Number 323369,676 FBI Number 2090019:

On January 30, 1953, and October 6, 1961, AARON KATZ was arrested by the New York. City Police Department on a charge of



# EVELYN HARAP

NY T-8 advised on January 13, 1959, that EVELYN MAIN HARAP was a member of the Chelsea-Lincoln Square Section of the CP but that she had left the CP following the resignation of JOHN GATES in the Spring of 1958, and had not attended a meeting since that time.

# JANET WEINBLATT

NY T-9 advised in April, 1953, that JANET WEINBLATT had been known to the informant as a CP member

and had been a member of the

#### BERTHA FRIEDMAN

NY T-10 advised on March 13, 1951, that BERTHA FRIEDMAN was a Section Organizer of the North Shore Section of the Queens County CP.

#### BELLA HALEBSKY



# B. Finances

NY T-12 advised on the indicated dates that the bank balances of the SC, which account was maintained at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, Fifth Avenue and 20th Street, New York City, on the indicated dates were as follows:

Date of Balance	Balance	Date Advised
January 30, 1952	\$1,423-54	January 30, 1962
February 27, 1962	603.01	February 27, 1962
March 27, 1962	354.39	March 27, 1962
April 26, 1962	743.08	April 26, 1962
May 28, 1962	463.05	May 28, 1962
June 27, 1962	957.64	June 27, 1962

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The officer to be subpoensed to produce the information furnished by MY T-12 in the event that it is to be utilized is . Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, Fifth Avenue and 20th Street, New York City.

NY T-13 made available on February 2, 1052, information concerning the bank account of which account was maintained at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, 30 Broad Street, New York City: 67C



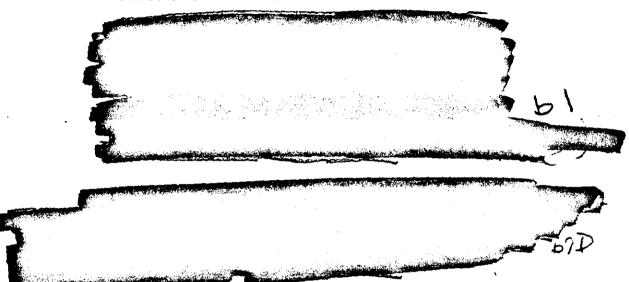
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NY T-13 advised that the basic documents from which the above check information was secured were no longer maintained by NY T-13.

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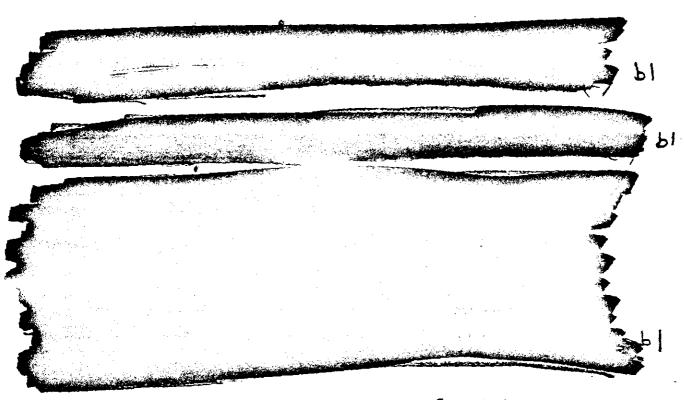


NY T-14 advised on February 28, 1962, that the records of the New Haven Savings Eank, New Haven, Connecticut, reflected that the following teller's check was issued:

W15774 dated January 30, 1962, in the amount of \$1,000.00, and payable to "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, Helen Sobell".

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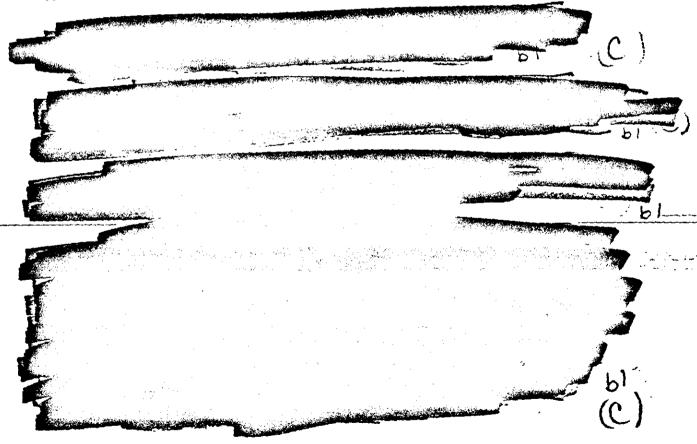


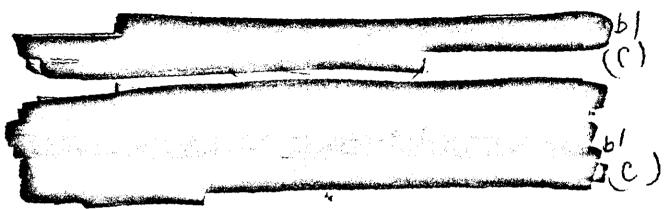
breakfast under the auspices of the CSJMS was held at the Hotel Belmont Plaza in New York City, on April 7, 1962, and approximately 220 persons attended. NY T-15 said that the speakers included the Reverend DAVID ANDREWS, who spoke of SOBELL's innocence, HELEN SOBELL, who told of her trip to Europe and the support she received there, and, MURRAY KEMPTON, who praised the courage and campaigns of HELEN SOBELL. NY T-15 advised that an appeal for funds was made and that the amount collected was not announced.

NY T-16 advised on April 9, 1952, substantially the same concerning the April 7, 1962, Sobell breakfast in New York City, as did NY T-15.

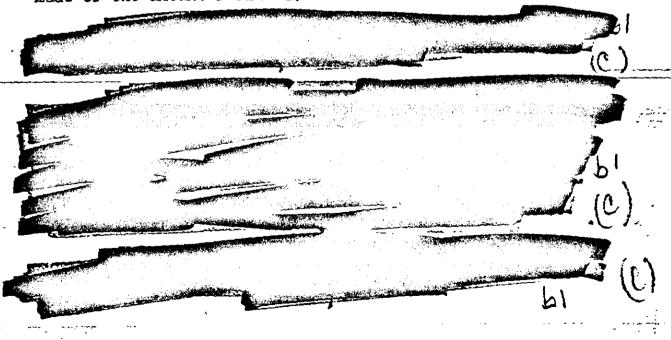
At 12:30 P.M. on April 7, 1962, approximately 80 individuels who had attended the Sobell breakfast at the Hotel Belmont Plaza in New York City, were observed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, (SA, FBI), leaving the hotel and parching under police escort to the headquarters of the United States Mission to the United Nations. Upon arrival, HELEN SOBELL presented a lengthy letter to an official of the United States Mission to the United Nations and the marchers dispersed.

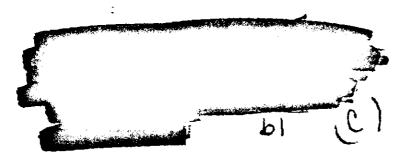
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NY T-17 advised on May 7, 1952, that a party for the benefit of the CSJMS was held on May 5, 1962, in New York City, and added that approximately 30 persons were present, that an admission charge of \$1.00 was made, that food and drink were sold, and, that a collection was taken up. NY T-17 advised that no mention was made of the amount realized.





#### D. Support for the Committee

NY T-18 advised on December 12, 1951, that a press conference sponsored by the Eronx County CP Press Committee was held in New York City on November 17, 1961, and the main speaker at this affair was JAMES LUSTIG, who identified himself as Managing Editor of "The Worker", an east coast Communist newspaper. NY T-18 said that following a lengthy speech by LUSTIG, several announcements of items of importance were made, among which was that on December 18, 1961 there would be a picket line for the release of MORTON SOBELL sponsored by the SC at the opening of the Lincoln Center in New York City, where Attorney General ROBERT KENTEDY was scheduled to speak.

NY T-19 advised on January 25, 1962, that a meeting of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) took place in New York City on January 18, 1952, and among the announcements of planned events was the announcement of a picketing of President KENNEDY by the SC during a visit to New York City and a request for volunteers from the SWP to assist in the picketing.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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#### E. Publicity

#### a. New York City Newspapers.

On Page 76 of the February 11, 1952 issue of "The New York Times", a New York City newspaper, is a news article datelined February 10, 1962, at Boone, North Carolina, entitled, "Minister is Disciplined", which reports that the Reverend DAVID ANDREWS, who knelt in prayer at the White House in December, 1961, in a clemency appeal for MORTON SOBELL, was relieved of his duties as Director of the Wesleyan Foundation at Appalachian State Teachers College by a vote of 12 to 1 by the Foundation Directors.

On Page 4 of the February 12, 1962 issue of The New York Times" is a Reuters news dispatch from London, dated February 11, 1952, entitled, "Sobell's Wife is Heartsick", and quoted Mrs. MORTON SOBELL as stating that she was heartsick that her innocent husband was still in prison, while U-2 Pilot POWERS and Soviet spy ABEL had been set free.

On Page 2 of the February 15, 1952 issue of "The New York Times", is a news article entitled, "Sobell's Release Asked" which reports that counsel for MORTON SOBELL charged in Federal Court in New York City that MORTON SOBELL had been denied a fair trial and requested that SOBELL be freed or granted a new trial.

On Page 21, of the February 15, 1952 issue of the "New York Herald Tribune", a New York City newspaper, is a similar news article.

On Page 7 of the April 6, 1952 issue of the late city edition of "The New York Times", is a news article entitled, "Sobell Loses 6th Plea", which reports that the 6th appeal in Federal District Court by MORTON SOBELL was denied on April 5, 1962.

On Page 3 of the April 6, 1962 issue of the "New York Mirror", and on Page 34 of the April 6, 1962, issue of the "New York Daily News", both New York City daily newspapers, are similar stories.

On Page 11 of the April 7, 1962 issue of the "New York Journal-American", a New York City newspaper, is a syndicated column by JACK LOTTO entitled, "Pro-Reds on the March", which sets forth the activities of the CSJES, lists some of the picketing and speeches by TRIME SORELL and sets forth a short background of the Committee.

#### B. Other Newspapers

A characterization of the "Morning Freiheit" and the "National Guardian" may be found in the Appendix Section of this report.

On Page 8, columns 4 and 5, of the January 4, 1952 issue of the "Morning Freiheit", is a feature article entitled, "Morton Sobell Has Submitted Petition for Liberation", which reports the filing of an appeal by MORTON SOBELL in the United States District Court for a new trial or reversal of his conviction.

On Page 8, columns 4 and 5 of the January 12, 1962 issue of the "Morning Freiheit" is a news article entitled, "Morton Sobell's Mother In Front of White House For Son's Liberation", which article reports the picketing of the White House in Washington, D.C., by ROSE SOBELL on January 10, 1962.

On Page 8, columns 1 and 2, of the January 14, 1952 issue of the "Morning Freiheit", is an editorial entitled, "The Anguish of a Despairing Mother", which reports the picketing of the White House in Wishington, D.C., by ROSE SOBELL, and calls for the freeing of MORTON SOBELL.

On Page 8, columns 1 and 2, of the February 13, 1962 issue of the "Morning Freiheit", is a news article entitled, "Helen Sobell Visits Europe", which reports that HELEN SOBELL was in Europe to enlist support for her campaign to free her husband.

On Page 8, columns 7 and 8 of the February 19, 1962 issue of the "Morning Freiheit", is a news article entitled, "Minister Punished for Saying Prayer for Morton Sobell's Liberation", which reports that the Reverend DAVID ANDREWS of Boone, North Carolina, was relieved of his position as Director of the Wesleyan Foundation because of his taking an active part in the picketing of the White House, during December, 1961.

On Page 10, columns 4 and 5, of the March 4, 1952 issue of "The Worker", an east coast Communist newspaper, is a news article entitled, "Bertrand Russell Reiterates Belief in Sobell's Innocence," which reports from London that many people interviewed in London by HELEN SOBELL as part of her campaign to free her husband, had stated their belief that MORTON SOBELL should be freed.

On Page 12 of the April 2, 1952 issue of the "National Guardian", is a feature article entitled, "A Warrior for Justice", which reports that HELEN SOBELL had just returned from visiting nine cities in nine countries to get support for her campaign for freedom for MORTON SOBELL and advised that a breakfast-walk would be held on April 7, 1962, in New York City, to raise funds.

On Page 8 of the April 16, 1962 issue of the "National Guardian", is a feature article entitled, "A New Appeal for Sobell", which reports that on April 7, 1962, HELEN SOBELL presented an appeal urging freedom for her husband to Ambassador ADLAI SEVENSON, at the headquarters of the United States Mission to the United Nations, in New York City.

On Page 2, columns 3 and 4 of the April 10, 1962 issue of "The Worker", is a news article entitled, "Adlai Says He'll Consider Petition for Morton Sobell" which reports the presenting of a petition for Presidential clemency to ADLAI STEVENSON, United States Ambassador to the United Nations, by HELEN SOBELL on April 7, 1962.

Advertisements for events sponsored by the CSJMS or its affiliates or soliciting funds for the CSJMS or affiliates appearin the following issues of the "National Guardian":

February 19 - Page 11
February 26 - Page 11
March 5 - Page 3
March 12 - Pages 14 and 15
March 19 - Pages 10 and 11
March 26 - Pages 4 and 11
April 2 - Page 4
April 9 - Pages 8 and 11
April 16 - Page:11
April 23 - Page 11

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#### APPENDIX

#### CONCITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

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### "MORNING PREIHEIT"

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"Morning Preiheit

- The Communist International subsidized the founding of the CPUSA's newspaper,
  Freiheit.

  (Subversive Activities Control Board,
  Docket No. 51-101, Modified Report with
  respect to the Communist Party of the
  United States of America, December 18,
  1956, p. 159.)
- "2. A Communist Yiddish daily."

  (Attorney General FRANCIS BIDDLE,

  Congressional Record, September 24,

  1942, p. 7636.)
- "3. The Freiheit has been one of the rankest organs of Communist propaganda in this country for almost a quarter of a century. (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 75.)

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any affiliation with the Communist Party,
it has manifested itself from the
beginning as a virtual official propaganda
arm of Soviet Russia.

(Committee on Un-American Activities,
Report, 'Trial by Treason', The National
Committee to Secure Justice for the
Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell, August
25, 1956, p. 12)"

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York July 25, 1962

for Morton Sobell

Committee to Secure Justice

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agents dated and captioned as above, at New York.

All confidential informants. (except those listed below) have furnished reliable information in the past.

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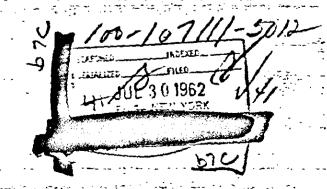
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DATE: July 31, 1962

/FROM : Director, IBI (100-387835)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL INTERNAL SUBJECT ACT OF 1950

The "Wational Guardian" issue of:7-30-62, on page 2, contains a letter to the editor from Helen Sobell making a plea for suggestions and contributions of money on behalf of the "Sobell Committee" and indicating a rational conference of the Committee is to take place 9/22-23/62, in New York City.

New York should alert sources to this forthcoming conference and make certain coverage is developed so that we will be aware of all activities. New York should keep the Bureau advised, and pertinent information should be provided in a form suitable for dissemination.

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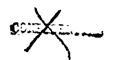
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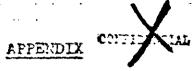
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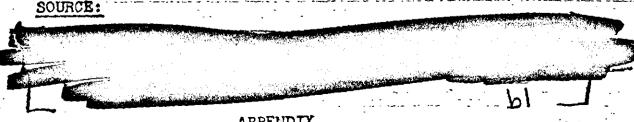
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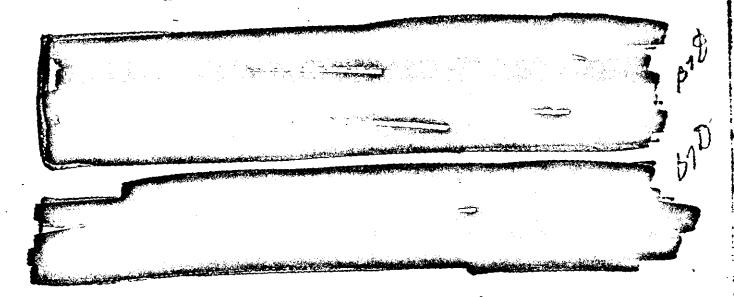
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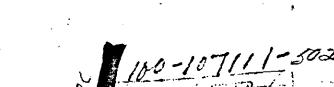
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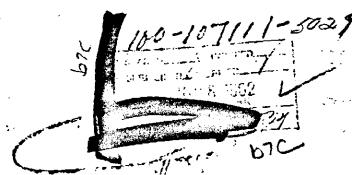
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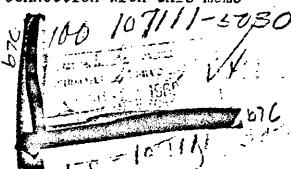
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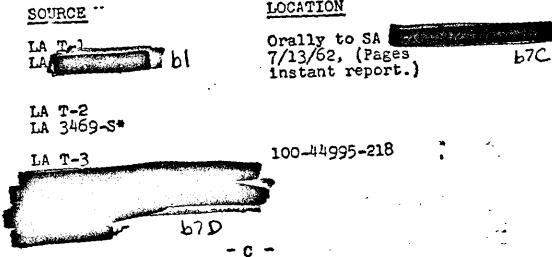
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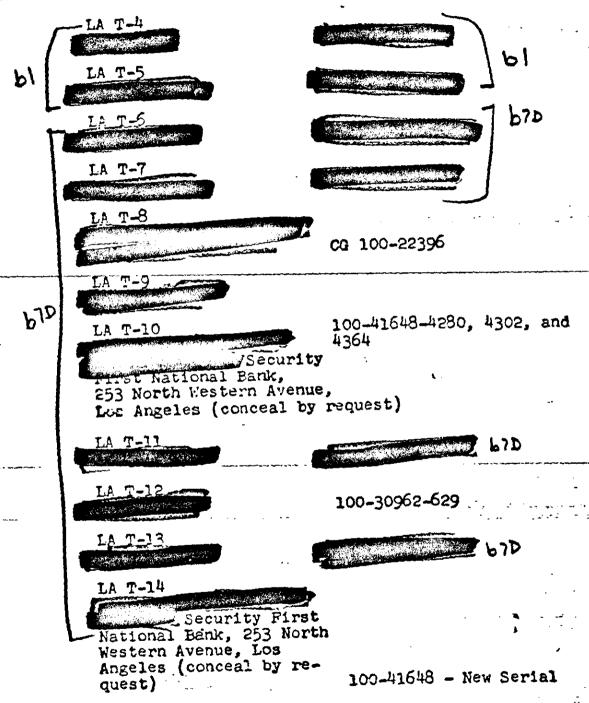
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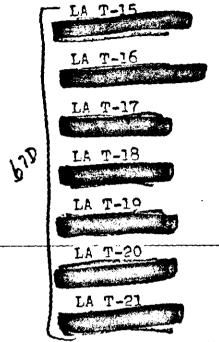
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#### DETAILS:

For the purpose of brevity, the Los Angeles Sobell Committee will be hereinafter referred to as the LASC, the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell as the CSJMS, and the Southern California District Communist Party as the SCDCP.

All the meetings and activities reported herein were held in Los Angeles, California, unless otherwise indicated.

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As of July 13, 1952, the LASC was composed of the Los Angeles Area Chapter, also known as the Netro Chapter; the Long Beach-San Pedro Chapter; West Los Angeles Chapter; and the Valley Chapter. Informant stated the Los Angeles Area Chapter was the only regularly active chapter.

# II. CHARACTERIZATION 62

The LASC (see appendix) is the Los Angeles, California, affiliate of the CSJNS (see appendix).

convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, on a charge of conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union. The ROSENBERGs were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and MORTON SOBELL was sentenced to thirty years imprisonment on the same date. JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953; and MORTON SOBELL is currently serving his sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Atalnta.

#### III. AIMS AND PURPOSES

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Between February and June, 1962, the aim and objective of the LASC was to obtain the release of MORTON SOBELL from prison to picketing the White House, Washington, D. C., and by attempting

to influence the decision of the Federal Parole Board in favor of SOBELL.

## IV. HEADQUARTERS

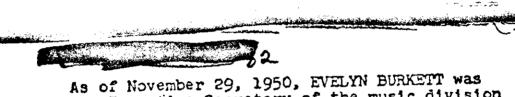
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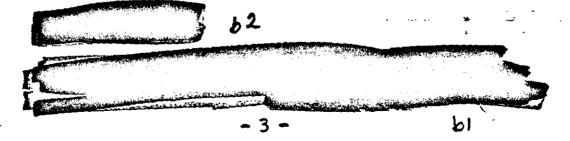
As of November 29, 1950, EVELYN BURKETT was the Executive Secretary of the music division of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences, and Professions Council. (see appendix)

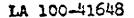
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IRMA (WIDGE) NEWMAN was a member of the American Youth for Democracy (AYD) while attending New York University, New York City.

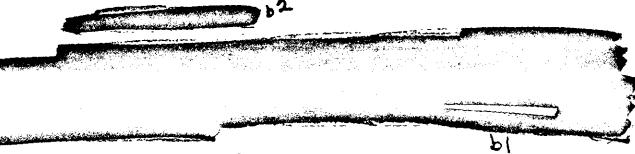
The AYD has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.







#### LASC STAFF



#### JANET GOLDSTEIN

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As of July, 1962, JANET GOLDSTEIN was considered a "drop" from the Los Angeles Local, SWP because of inactivity and failure to pay dues, however, she was considered sympathetic by that organization.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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As of July 13, 1962, DOROTHY MAYR was a member of the Northeast Club, 24th CD Section, SCDCP.

#### CAROL BEAN

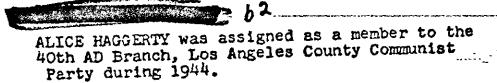
No other activity of a subversive nature is known concerning CAROL BEAN.

EDYTHE MARGOLIS nee Cohen



EDYTHE COHEN was a member of the CP in the Chicago, Illinois area in 1939.

ALICE HAGGERTY -



VI. MEMBERSHIP



#### VII PINANCES



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As of January 17, 1962, The Sobell Committee kept checking account number 13-953 at the Security First National Bank, (SFIB) 253 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles. Bank records reflected the address of the committee in 1954 was 468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, and the current address was indicated as 132 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles. The signature card was signed by WIDGE NEWMAN, President and EVELYN BURKETT, Secretary, however, only WIDGE NEWMAN was authorized to sign checks for the committee. The balance in the account was \$139.03. Among the checks on hand, was check number 8 dated March 7, 1962, payee Hollywood Notebook in the amount of \$30.60, signed by WIDGE NEWMAN and baring stamped endorsement "For deposit only Hollywood Notebook."

#### ESTHER GERRI STONE

On August 3, 1952, by personal observation by a Special Agent of the FBI, STONE was observed to be the operator of the Hollywood Notebook, a secretarial service at 6917 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles.

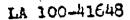


As of March 16. 1962, the balance of the Sobell Committee account number 13-953 at the SFNB, 253 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, was \$318.61.

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As of May 15, 1962, the balance of the Sobell Committee account number 13-953 at the SFMB, 253 North Western Avenue, was \$181.35. Among the checks on hand were the following:

Number	Da <b>te</b>	Payee	Payer	Amount	Endorsed
7	April 1, 1962	ROSE SOBELL	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$25.00	Mrs. ROSE SOBELL and SOPHIE DAVIDSON
10	April 28, 1962	Pacific Tel and Tel	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$27.28	Stamped by Pacific Tel and Tel
_ 12	April 30, 1962	ROSIE SOBELL	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$50.00	ROSE SOBELL and WIDGE NEWMAN
		Cash	wince	_\$32.62	Sobell
13	May 1, 1962	Vasii	NEWMAN	13-1	Committee and WIDGE NEWMAN
14	May 1, 1962	ysol <b>a</b> Ryan	WIDGE 'NEWMAN	\$35.00	For deposit YSOLA RYAN
16	May 1, 1952	Hollywood Notebook	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$ 2.96	Stamped for deposit only Hollywood Notebook
17	May 5,	Cash	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$33•99	Endorsed SAKI DIKRAN
20	May 8, 1962	"People's World"(PW)	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$10.00	Stamped en- dorsement of the PW-Pacific Publishing Foundation 81 Clementina St. San Francisco, California



ROSE SOBELL

ROSE SOBELL is the mother of MORTON SOBELL.

#### SCPHIE DAVIDSON



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Informant advised SOPHIE DAVIDSON had been dropped from the CP membership in or about 1953.

Informant had no knowledge of CP

activity or her part in recent years.

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SATENIK-HATCHADOURIAN LUBOVISKI, aka Seki Dikran



#### "PEOPLE'S WORLD"

The 'People's World" is a West Coast Communist Newspaper.

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As of June 20, 1962, the Sobell Committee, account number 13-953, SFNB, 253 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles had a current balance of \$295.36. Among the checks on hand were the following:

Number	Date	Payee	Payer	Amount	* Endorsed
24	May 15, 1962	ROSE SOBELL	widge Newman	\$25.00	ROSE SOBELL and SOPHIE DAVIDSON

Number	Date	Payee	Payer	Amount	Endorser
none	May 22, 1962	ROSE SOBELL	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$25.00	ROSE SOBELL and SOPHIE DAVIDSON
29	May 29, 1962	rose Sobell	WIDGE NEWMAN	\$50.00	none

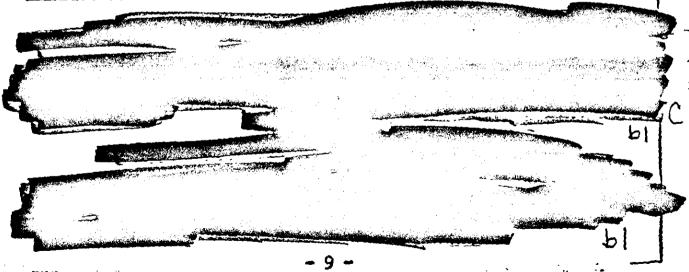
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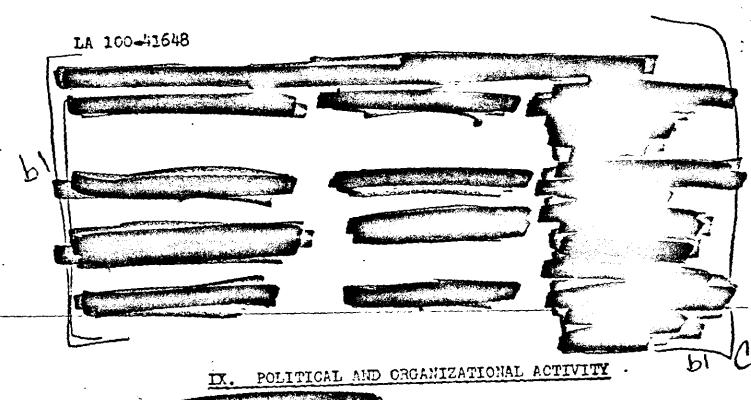
As of July 19, 1962, the Sobell Committee under account number 13-953 at the SFNB, 253 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, had a current balance of \$171.64.

The above information can be obtained only by issuance of a subpoena duces tecum addressed to SFNB, 253 North Western Avenue, Los angeles.

#### VIII. ACTIVITIES

#### A. LASC STAFF MEETINGS





Between February and June, 1962, the main activity of the LASC was concentrated on sending messages to the President of the United States and urging correspondence to the Federal Parole Board considering SOBELL's case.

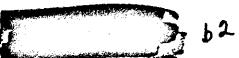
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Informant furnished a leaflet reading in part as follows: "Los Angeles walks . . . with HELEN and ROSE SOBELL . . . . . SCBELL freedom demonstration,

Date: Monday, March 26, 1962 Time: 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Place: Los Angeles Federal Building, 312

North Spring Street."



Informant advised a LASC picket line was held on March

26, 1962, in front of the Federal Building, Los Angeles, between 11:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M., in behalf of freedom for SOBELL.

#### X. PUBLICITY

Appearing in the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner of February 2, 1962, was an article headed "Sobell Seeking Freedom in Espionage Case", which read in part that "Convicted spy MORTON SOBELL, serving a 30-year sentence for espionage, today sought freedom or a new trial . . . . Federal Judge JOHN F. X. MC GOET reserved decision."

Appearing in the PW (above) of March 24, 1962, page 3, was an article captioned "Freedom Walk Monday for MORTON SOBELL". The article reported a "walk for freedom" would take place on Monday, March 23, 1962, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM in front of the Federal Building in Los Angeles, California.

Appearing in the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner of March 27, 1962, was an article headed "Wife, Mother Picket to Free MORTON SCHELL", which read in part that "The wife and mother of of jailed Soviet agent MORTON SOBELL led pickets demonstrating for his release . . . . . . The demonstration, in front of the Federal Building, was sponsored by the Los Angeles Sobell Committee."

Appearing in the Los Angeles Times of March 27, 1962, was an article headed "SOBELL's Wife, Mother Head Pickets Here", which read in part, "His wife and his mother headed pickets parading before the Federal Building here Monday urging the release of MORTON SOBELL, convicted in 1951 of espionage and sentenced to 30 years in prison . . . . SOBELL, convicted with JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG, who were executed, has protested his innocence. He will be eligible for parole consideration in July." This article was headed by a photograph of HELEN and ROSE SOBELL bearing picket signs regarding SOBELL.

Appearing in the Citizen-News of Hollywood, California, dated April 6, 1962, was an article headed "SOBELL Plea Turned Down", which reported in part that "A Federal Court has turned down a plea by convicted spy MORTON SOBELL for a new trial. Federal Court Judge JOHN F. X. MC GOHEY yesterday denied SOBELL's petition and simultaneously turned down a motion for a reduction of his 30-year sentence."

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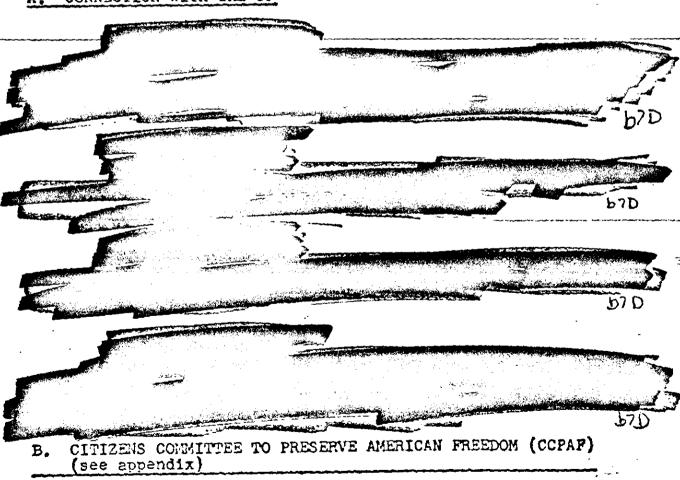
Appearing on page 11 of the April 9, 1962 issue of the "National Guardian" (see appendix) was the following paid advertise. ment:

#### "LOS ANGELES

"Mrs. ROSE SOBELL speaks at Third Annual Passover Dinner, Sat., April 21, 6 p.m., 1251 S. St. Andrews. For reservations at \$2 call . . . . Ausp: L. A. Sobell Committee."

#### XI. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

#### A. CONNECTION WITH THE CP







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# CITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE AMERICAN PREEDOMS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1961, pp. 43-44, describes this committee as follows:

Freedoms \* \* \* specializes in propaganda aimed at abolishing the Committee on Un-American Activities and discrediting the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Created in Los Angeles in 1952, the front organization is run by FRANK WILKINSON, an identified Communist who recently resumed the full-time, paid post of executive secretary after approximately a year's leave of absence to assist in a similar campaign by another front in New York City, the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee.

"When the Committee on Un-American Activities held hearings in Los Angeles, September 2-5, 1958, to inquire into the nature of the Party's recent reorganization in California, the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms sponsored a series of public meetings to protest the hearings and the very existence of the Committee. Committees subpoensed as witnesses were guests of honor.

"At this time, leaders of the party's Southern California District, were mobilizing Communists in the area for participation in an intensified campaign to abolish --this committee of Congress. How the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Preedoms served the party in this effort was revealed by (Communist Party) District Chairman DOROTHY HEALEY in a report to the party's Southern California District Council on September 21, 1958. Nrs. HEALEY declared that the party preferred public protest meetings to be held by the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms rather than under party auspices because Communists could attend without danger of being exposed as members of the party. She also noted that Cormunists scheduled as congressional committee witnesses could not appear beforehand at openly Cormunist rallies without creating the impression that the party was conspiring with witnesses to withhold information from the committee."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 259 on the Southern California District of the Communist Party, April 3, 1959, pp. 7 and 8.)

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# CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES INFORMATION CENTER (CLIC)

A source advised on April 25, 1962, that Constitutional Liberties Information Center (CLIC) was formed in July, 1961, in Los Angeles, California, as a Communist Party (CP) defense committee to combat the U.S. Supreme Court decisions of June 5, 1961, upholding the Internal Security Act of 1950 and the membership provisions of the Smith Act.

Officers

Of Cart include Rever. W. EUROUGH, Chairman, and HUGH

DE LACY, Vice Chairman. CLIC activity currently devoted to

furnishing speakers to interested groups, arranged and sponsored
so far only by CP units, and to distribution of literature
including reprints of the dissenting opinions of U.S.

Surpreme Court Chief Justice EARL WARREN and Justice

HUGO L. BLACK.

Another source advised on August 8, 1961 that REUBEN W. BOROUGH and HUGH DE LACY are current members of the Professional-Cultural Section, SCDCP.



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#### APPENDIX

# EYMA LAZARUS FEDERATION OF JEWISH WOMER'S CLUBS

"The Jewish Fraternalist" dated Cotober, 1947, self identified as the official publication of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order (JPFO) of the International Workers Order (IWO), on page o, contained an article which reflected that the Emma Lazarus Division (ELD) of the JFFO was to hold its first national convention in New York City on November 15 and 16, 1947, after having been first established at a National Women's Conference called three years previously by the JFFO.

The 'Morning Freiheit" on January 25, 1951, contained a report on the National Convention of the ELD of the JPFO which took place in New York City on January 20 and 21, 1951. At this convention it was noted that the ELD changed its name to make Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs (ELP) and adopted a new constitution.

On May 11, 1961, a source advised that the ELF is one of several mass organizations comprising the Jewish Cultural progressive movement. JUNE GORDON, ELF Executive Director, who is a member of the New York State Communist Party (CP) Board and Committee, is the leading force in Communists.

The source stated that the ELF claims to be for peace and interested in protecting the rights of the foreign born. It is against the EEN GURION Government of Israel, bomb testing, anti-Semitism, Negro discrimination, and the rearmament of West Germany.

The source related that the ELF renders support to and receives support from the "Morning Preiheit" and any other Jewish progressive organizations.

The source also stated that the ELF is recognized organization of women.

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The address of the national office of the ELF is 160 Fifth Avenue, Room 911, New York City.

The IWC, JPFO and CP, USA have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised December 1, 1961, contains the following concerning the "Morning Freiheit":

- "1. The Communist International 'subsidized

  \* \* the founding of the CPUSA's newspaper, Freiheit.' (Subversive Activities
  Control Board, Docket No. 51-101, Modified
  Report with respect to the Communist Party
  of the United States of America, December 18,
  1956, p. 159.)
- "2. A 'Communist Yiddish deily'.
  (Attorney General FRANCIS BIDDLE, Congressional Record, September 24, 1942, p. 7686.)
- "3. The Freiheit has been one of the rankest organs of Communist propaganda in this country for almost a quarter of a century' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action—Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 75.)"

A source advised on April 27, 1962, that the Emma Lazarus Jewish Women's Clubs of Los Angeles are affiliated with the Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Club, having national headquarters in New York, New York, which, until the early part of 1951, were known as the Emma Lazarus Division, Jewish People's Fraternal Order. According to the informant, the Emma Lazarus Jewish Women's Clubs, Los Angeles, in about 1952 and early 1953 were also known as the Emma Lazarus Council of Jewish Women.

#### APPENDIX

# LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1961, pp. 103-104, describes this committee as follows:

"A 'branch' of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born found to be under the 'actual management, direction, and supervision' of Communist Party members. The Los Angeles Committee was reorganized in October, 1950, and reported that it 'shall be affiliated to the national organization known as the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born \* \* 'The American Committee and the 'various area or local committees \* \* constitute and the 'various area or local committees \* \* constitute \* \* one organization within the meaning of the \* \* statute (Internal Security Act)' under which the Subversive Activities Control Board found the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born to be a 'Communist front organization' and ordered it to register as such with the Attorney General".

(Subversive Activities Control Board, Docket No. 109-53, Report and Order with respect to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, June 27, 1960, pp. 41, 8, 12, and 51.)

"Cited as a 'regional' organization of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born and one of its 'most complex affiliates.' The Committee on Un-American Activities found that in early publications, the local affiliates frankly identified themselves as chapters of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born; their representation of themselves as independent groups came only after enactment of the Internal Security Act which would have required them, as affiliates, to register as Communist-front organizations."

"Control of the local organizations \* \* \* was made possible primarily by virtue of the fact that the leaders of the local groups were Communist Party members and therefore subject to the discipline of the party. \* \* \* The local affiliates \* \* \* were actually little more than administrative staffs, whose purpose it was to implement the program of the Communist Party in their respective areas."





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# LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN

"The 'Lamp' of January, 1950, reported that the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born had been established on November 29, 1949. Publicly identified Communist ROSE CHERNIN served as 'the operating head' since the time of its organization."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1182 on Communist Political Subversion, August 16, 1957, pp. 86, 87, 55, 33, 54, 58, and 59; also cited in Annual Report for 1956, House Report #53, Feb. 11, 1957, p. 5.)





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#### "NATIONAL GUARDIAN"

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1961, p. 193, describes the "National Guardian" as follows:

"Established by the American Labor Party in 1947, as a 'progressive' weekly. \* \* Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia."

The Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311, and the CIP Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, page 78, describes the American Labor Party as follows:

"For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn Sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City, they have been unable to win control."

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#### APPENDIX

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS, aka., Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council



The "Guide to Subversive Organizations" (revised January 2, 1957) page 132, stated this organization is cited as "one of the major Communist dominated propaganda media on the Pacific Coast" (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1955, pages 392 and 393).

Los Angeles Chapter was dissolved on January 3, 1956.

The National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions has been cited as a "Communist front" by the United States Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report number 1954, dated April 26, 1950.









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("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1956, the name 'National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell appeared of literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, 'Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell,' first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The 1960-61 Borough of Manhattan telephone directory lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Schell" as being located at 940 Eroadway, New York, New York.



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